

Appendix 12.6.1 Policy on Health Insurance, Student Health Services, and Disability Insurance

Whole Health School of Medicine

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I. POLICY

All actively enrolled students in the MD Degree program are required to maintain adequate medical and hospitalization insurance coverage as a condition of enrollment. Students must use either the insurance plan that is offered through the WHSOM or a comparable plan. In order to waive enrollment in the school-offered student plan, students must obtain coverage that is comparable to that plan.

{Information note: Students will be billed automatically for the School's offered health insurance plan unless they file a waiver request and provide evidence of equivalent coverage.}

Eligible members of the student's family may also purchase the School's health insurance plan.

The fees for health insurance through the school's offered plan are invoiced in August and January. The fee for health insurance is not refundable, even if a student withdraws from the program.

All full-time students are required to pay the annual student health fee, which covers care and services provided at the Student Health Service and Counseling Center. The student health fee is not refundable if a student withdraws or takes a leave of absence.

All actively enrolled students in the MD Degree program are required to be covered by disability insurance. Students will be charged an annual fee for disability insurance. Disability insurance cannot be waived.

The fee for disability insurance is not refundable, even if a student withdraws from the program.

{Information note: The annual fee for disability insurance is billed with the fall tuition invoice. The insurance certificate information is available to students on the Student Affairs website.}

II. PURPOSE

Having adequate access to health care services is an important part of maintaining wellbeing. This policy defines the requirements for students to have adequate health care insurance and to pay the required fees that permit access to university's student health services.

III. SCOPE

This policy applies to:

- Medical students

IV. POLICY AUTHOR(S)

- Office of Student Affairs

V. RELATED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

None

VI. REFERENCES

LCME Element 12.6: Student Health and Disability Insurance:

A medical school ensures that health insurance and disability insurance are available to each medical student and that health insurance is also available to each medical student's dependents.

VII. APPROVALS

Dean, School of Medicine