Procedure Summary

The health of students is important to Texas A&M University-Commerce; therefore, the University provides health care that is affordable and convenient.

This procedure describes the extent to which health services are available to the university community.

Procedures and Responsibilities

1 ELIGIBILITY

The services of the Student Health Services (SHS) are available to the following components of the university community.

1.1 Currently enrolled students.

1.2 Non-students attending Texas A&M University-Commerce on a long-term contractual basis and campus visitors.

   1.2.1 Students attending programs, workshops, conferences, camps, etc., will not be permitted to use SHS unless it is a medical emergency.

   1.2.2 There will be a fee for these participants to utilize SHS in addition to any fees for lab, x-ray, minor procedures, etc.

2 DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

2.1 SHS is designed to provide limited medical assistance to those eligible for its services. As such, normal consultation, diagnosis, lab, and x-ray procedures will be provided. In addition, services are offered to assist the student with on-going illnesses or those who wish to develop preventative programs. Consultation with various university departments about health care issues will be provided as time permits. Limited vaccines and a variety of tests are also available.
2.2 SHS cannot perform complex medical and surgical procedures. A medical staff is provided to render first aid, diagnose illnesses and injuries, and provide non-life threatening care. Referrals will be made where advisable. Emergency service (during office hours) is limited to non-life threatening modalities or limited medical procedures. All services, treatments, procedures, etc. are subject to the discretion of the SHS staff.

2.3 SHS does not provide services related to workers compensation.

2.4 SHS does accept some commercial insurance, students are not required to pay the co-payment.

3 IDENTIFICATION

Before services are rendered, the patient must present a valid A&M-Commerce ID, driver’s license, or valid photo identification that may be cross-referenced with current enrollment lists. Any patient not meeting the above identification criteria will be identified and eligibility determined on a case by case basis.

4 COSTS

The basic service provided by the professional staff is provided without cost to currently enrolled students. Other costs (such as medicines, lab tests, x-rays, and prescriptions) will be paid at the time the services are rendered. Any costs incurred at facilities other than SHS shall be paid by the student. Prescriptions are not filled by SHS staff.

5 HOURS AND AVAILABILITY

SHS is normally open from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday during the period enrolled students can be present on campus as determined by the university catalog.

6 MODIFICATION OF POLICY

Special circumstances may warrant the modification of rules, procedures, and guidelines pertaining to SHS.

Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements

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