**Student Health & HIPAA**

**TAMU Study Health Services (SHS)**: <https://shs.tamu.edu/>

* Clinic has physicians, NPs, PAs & a counselor who provide medical care for short term, acute illnesses & injuries, ongoing health issues
* SHS does not diagnose/initiate medical treatment for ADD/ADHD, provide ongoing medication refills, or provide dental or optical services
* Offers preventative women’s health & counseling services

Appointments / Walk-Ins (when available): Book online or 979-458-8250

Hours of Operation: M-F 8am - 5pm | Closed on University-observed holidays

Address: AP Beutel Health Center, 311 Houston Street, Bldg 520

Dial-A-Nurse: M-F 5 pm – 8 am; Weekends 24/7 | 979-458-8379

Nutrition Support: Guided Grocery Store Tours/Cooking Classes (See SHS Calendar of Events webpage for upcoming events)

* $10 for primary care office visits
* Other services at discounted fees
* Charges can be applied student’s account
* All major credit cards, checks & payments from Insurance Plans (see Health Insurance webpage for more information)

**Emergency Rooms Near TAMU** – Call 911

* Baylor Scott & White Medical Center
* CapRock ER
* Signature Care Emergency Center
* College Station Medical Center ER
* Physicians Premier Emergency Care
* CHI St Joseph’s Health Regional Hospital ER

**Urgent Care Clinics Near TAMU**

* Baylor Scott & White Convenient Care Clinic – M-F 8am-8pm, weekends 8-5
* Brazos Valley Urgent Care – M-Sat 9-9 pm, Sun 12-6 pm walk-in
* College Station MedPlus – two locations - M-F 8-5 pm
* Integrity Urgent Care – Daily 8-8 pm
* CHI St Joseph’s Health Express Care – M-F 7:30 am-8 pm; Sat 8-4, Sun 12-6

Check your insurance plan to confirm if in-network & ER co-pay amount

**Access to Medical Records & Claim Information**

Students ≥ 18 years of age own right to privacy of their Protected Health Information (PHI) & need to provide consent for healthcare providers & insurance companies to release info to delegated persons

* SHS Medical Records Release form (https://shs.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Medical-Records-Release-Form-December-2016.pdf)
* HIPAA Release & Authorization Form
* Health Insurance Authorization for Release of PHI (contact your health insurance company; may expire annually)

Medical & Statutory Durable Power of Attorney

* Medical Power of Attorney – used if your child becomes unable to make health care decisions and confirmed by physician
* Statutory Durable Power of Attorney – enables you to act for your child regarding life matters (property/financial/social security/taxes) - notarized
* Advance Directive: Directive to Physicians & Family or Surrogates – used if your child becomes unable to provide self-consent

Aggie Mom Tip: provide HIPAA/medical info card & forms to your student to store on their phone so these are ready to be provided, if needed

**First Aid Kit**

cold/allergy medications

antibiotic cream

anti-itch cream

eye drops

ibuprophen/acetaminophen

antacids/tums

bug spray

sunscreen

band aids

bandages / tape

thermometer

vitamins (EmergenC)

sanitizer

tweezers

flashlight

copies of medical coverage & medical information; list of ERs/Urgent Care facilities