

HEALTH SERVICES

The Yale Health Center is located on campus at 55 Lock Street. The center is home to Yale Health, a not-for-profit, physician-led health coverage option that offers a wide variety of health care services for students and other members of the Yale community. Services include student health, gynecology, mental health, pediatrics, pharmacy, blood draw, diagnostic imaging, a fifteen-bed inpatient care department, 24/7 access to RN clinical triage through an Acute Care clinic, and specialty services such as allergy, dermatology, orthopedics, and a travel clinic. Yale Health coordinates and provides payment for the services provided at the Yale Health Center, including emergency treatment, off-site specialty services, inpatient hospital care, and other ancillary services. Yale Health's services are detailed in the Yale Health Student Handbook, available through the Yale Health Member Services Department, 203-432-0246, or online at yalehealth.yale.edu.

A. ELIGIBILITY FOR SERVICES

All registered undergraduates (except those enrolled in the Nondegree Students program) are enrolled automatically for Yale Health Basic Student Health Services. Basic Student Health Services is free and includes preventive health, blood draw, and medical services in Student Health, Gynecology, Mental Health & Counseling, Nutrition, Acute Care, and Inpatient Care. Students on leave of absence or a Year or Term Abroad are not eligible for Basic Student Health Services but may enroll in Student Affiliate Coverage. Students enrolled in the Nondegree Students program are not eligible for Basic Student Health Services but may enroll in the Billed Associates Plan and pay a monthly premium. Students enrolled in the Eli Whitney Students program receive Yale Health Basic Student Health Services if enrolled at least half-time; others in that program are eligible to elect the Student Affiliate Coverage. Associates must register for at least one term within the first thirty days of affiliation with the University. Students not eligible for Basic Student Health Services may also use the services fee-for-service. Students who wish to be seen fee-for-service must register with the Member Services Department. Enrollment applications for the Student Affiliate Coverage, Billed Associates Plan, or Fee-for-Service Program are available from the Member Services Department. All students who purchase Yale Health Hospitalization/ Specialty Coverage (<https://yalehealth.yale.edu/student-coverage>) can use specialty and ancillary services at Yale Health Center. Upon referral, Yale Health will cover the cost of specialty and ancillary services for these students. Students with an alternate insurance plan should seek specialty services from a provider who accepts their alternate insurance.

1. Completion of Incoming Student Health Requirements

All new students are required to complete these requirements by August 1, 2024. Key information and access to the Student Health Requirements Packet are located at <https://yalehealth.yale.edu/new-student-health-requirements>. Required forms include an Immunization Form, a Health and Physical Exam Form, a TB Risk Assessment, and a Minor Treatment Consent form (for those under age 18 at matriculation). Specific requirements are outlined below. Completed and signed

forms and any supporting laboratory data are then uploaded to Health On Track, Yale's health requirement tracking system.

Required for all students

Requirement	Population	Description	Alternate
MMR - Measles, mumps, and rubella	All students	MMR vaccine. Born after 1/1/1957 without evidence of immunity. 2 doses of MMR vaccine at least 28 days apart. Dose 1 on or after first birthday.	Laboratory documentation of immunity to measles, mumps, AND rubella
Varicella	All students	Varicella vaccine: Two doses, age 12-15 mos and age 4-6y. Adolescent catch up: 2 doses 4-8 weeks apart.	Laboratory evidence of immunity OR Healthcare provider documentation of disease
Meningitis quadrivalent ACWY	All students residing in university housing	Menveo, Menactra, MenQuadfi and Nimenrix, Penbraya - single dose at or after age 16. Vaccine must be given within 5 years of matriculation	ACWY polysaccharide vaccine is an acceptable alternative if conjugate vaccine unavailable
TB Screening questionnaire	All non-health profession students	Complete the questionnaire. Only if identified as high risk, TB screening test must be submitted. If result is positive, a chest Xray and record of any treatment must be submitted.	

Required for healthcare profession students only (in addition to above)

Requirement	Population	Description	Alternate
Influenza	Healthcare profession students	Single dose of seasonal flu vaccine annually between August 1 and December 1	

TB Screening	Healthcare profession students	Quantiferon or T-spot blood test (preferred) within past 6 months. Required if prior BCG. Positive test requires documentation of asymptomatic status and chest Xray result.	2 step TB skin test (PPD) within the past 6 months
Tdap	Healthcare profession students	Tdap: Single booster dose within past 10y	
Hepatitis B vaccine and titer	Healthcare profession students	Heplisav-B (2 doses), Energix B, Recombivax HB (3 doses). Completion of series AND quantitative titer demonstrating immunity following vaccination.	Twinrix (Hep A and B) at appropriate intervals
COVID-19	Healthcare profession students	Primary series AND updated mRNA vaccine OR Single dose of updated mRNA vaccine, OR 2 doses of updated Novavax vaccine as defined by the CDC	

B. HEALTH COVERAGE ENROLLMENT

The University also requires all students eligible for Basic Student Health Services to have adequate hospital insurance coverage. Students may choose Yale Health Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage or waive the plan if they have other hospitalization coverage, such as through a spouse or parent. The waiver must be renewed annually, and the student must confirm receipt of the waiver by the University's deadlines noted below.

1. Yale Health Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage. For a detailed explanation of this plan, which includes coverage for prescriptions, see A Student's Guide to Yale Health. Students are automatically enrolled and charged a fee on their Student Financial Services bill for Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage each term. Students with no break in coverage enrolled during the fall and spring terms are billed each term and covered from August 1 through July 31. For students entering Yale for the first time, readmitted students, and students returning from a leave of absence who have not been covered during their leave, Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage

begins on the day the dormitories officially open. A student enrolled for the fall term only is covered for services through January 31; a student enrolled for the spring term only is covered for services through July 31.

- a. **Waiving Yale Health Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage.** Students can waive Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage by completing an online waiver form. Students are responsible for reporting any changes in alternate insurance coverage to the Member Services Department within 30 days. Students are encouraged to review their present coverage and compare its benefits to those available under Yale Health. The waiver form must be filed annually and received by September 15 for the full year or fall term or by January 31 for the spring term only.
 - b. **Revoking the waiver.** Students who waive Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage but later wish to be covered must complete and send a form voiding their waiver to the Member Services Department by September 15 for the full year or fall term or by January 31 for the spring term only. Students who wish to revoke their waiver during the term may do so, provided they show proof of loss of the alternate insurance plan, and enroll within thirty days of the loss of this coverage. Yale Health fees will not be prorated.
2. **Yale Health Student Dependent Plans.** A student may enroll their lawfully married spouse or civil union partner and/or legally dependent children under twenty-six in one of three student-dependent plans: Student + Spouse, Student + Child/Children, or the Student Family Plan. These plans include services described in Basic Student Health Services and Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage. Coverage is not automatic, and enrollment is done by application. Applications are available from the Member Services Department or can be downloaded from the Yale Health website and must be renewed annually. Applications must be received by September 15 for full-year or fall-term coverage or by January 31 for spring-term coverage only.
 3. **Yale Health Student Affiliate Coverage.** Students on leave of absence or extended study or paying less than half tuition may enroll in Yale Health Student Affiliate Coverage, which includes services described in Basic Student Health Services and Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage. Applications are available from the Member Services Department or can be downloaded from the Yale Health website and must be received by September 15 for full-year or fall-term coverage or by January 31 for spring-term coverage only.

C. ELIGIBILITY CHANGES

1. **Withdrawal.** A student who withdraws from the University during the first fifteen days of the term will be refunded the fee paid for Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage. The student will not be eligible for any Yale Health benefits, and the student's Yale Health membership will be terminated retroactively to the beginning of the term. The medical record will be reviewed, and any services rendered and/or claims paid will be billed to the student on a fee-for-service basis. At all other times, a student who withdraws from the University will be covered by Yale Health for thirty days following the withdrawal date. Fees will not be prorated or refunded. Students who withdraw are not eligible to enroll in Student Affiliate Coverage. Regardless of enrollment in Yale Health Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage, a student who withdraws from the University will have access to services available

under Yale Health Basic Student Health Services (including Student Health, Athletic Medicine, Gynecology, Acute Care, Mental Health & Counseling, and Care Management) during these thirty days to the extent necessary for a coordinated transition of care.

2. Leave of absence. Students granted a leave of absence can purchase Student Affiliate Coverage for up to one year. If the leave occurs on or before the first day of classes, Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage will end retroactively to the start of the coverage period for the term. If the leave occurs any time after the first day of classes, Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage will end on the day the Registrar is notified of the leave. In either case, students may enroll in Student Affiliate Coverage. Students must enroll in Affiliate Coverage before the beginning of the term unless the Registrar is notified after the first day of classes, in which case, the coverage must be purchased within thirty days of the date the Registrar was notified. Fees paid for Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage will be applied toward the cost of Affiliate Coverage. Coverage is not automatic; enrollment forms are available at the Member Services Department or can be downloaded from the Yale Health website. Fees will not be prorated or refunded.