

Welcome to Health Services

Ocean County College Health Services can offer a variety of services to all Kean University full-time, part-time and graduate students.

Where We Are

Kean University has developed and coordinated numerous campus resources which are available to help maintain student health.

Student Health Services at Ocean County College

The Student Health Services at OCC is located in the Instructional Building, A-107. We can be reached at (732) 255-0364.

The Student Health Center hours are as follows:

Monday through Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

In the event of a medical emergency contact Campus Security at (732) 255-2200.

Kean University Health Services (Union Campus)

Health Services is located in Downs Hall, room 126, behind the library (building DN). Most students are seen the same day. Clinicians are available only when school is in session. Evening hours are available only during the Fall and Spring semesters when classes are in session.

The Health Services office hours are as follows:

Monday 9:00 - 5:00

Tuesday 9:00 - 5:00

Wednesday 9:00 - 7:00

Thursday 9:00 - 5:00

Friday 9:00 - 5:00

We are closed on Fridays during the summer months.

Who We Are

Student Health Services at Ocean County College

Carol Crawford, Director

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Kean University Health Services (Union Campus)

Ann Marie Hummel, R.N.
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Nurse Practitioner in Family Health

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Nurse Practitioner in Women's Health

Ivy Czaplinski, R.N.
Head Nurse

What We Do

Attending class and not feeling well? Stop by Health Services for a visit. If a physician evaluation is required, a referral will be given to the Kean at OCC student for a nearby medical facility contracted by Kean University. OCC Health Services can provide students with Registered Nurses to meet your health related concerns. Health Services enables the "Student on the Go" to receive effective and beneficial treatment. Health Services is available to full-time, part-time and graduate students.

Summary of Services

- Assessment and treatment of illness and injuries
- Full-time nurses
- Maintenance of immunization records

- The latest information on health and related topics and the appropriate referral.
- Medical counseling for the different aspects of health care.
- Health education materials (videos, pamphlets)
- Medical Parking Permits

For additional services, please refer to Kean University's (Union campus) website at www.kean.edu/~health/

Services Not Covered

- Emergency department visits and hospitalization
- Appointments with private physicians, dentists, consultants or specialists
- Laboratory tests
- X-rays, diagnostic procedures and medical and surgical supplies
- Ambulance transportations

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Laboratory Testing

We will provide testing at an off-campus facility.

Tests include:

- Pregnancy
- Glucose
- Urinalyses
- Strep Screen

Special Needs:

- Assistance with the processing of Medical Leave of Absence (for long-term illness)
- Absence due to Medical Reasons (for short-term illness)

Patient Rights to Privacy

1. To receive professional medical care as mandated by law without discrimination based on age, religion, origin, sex, sexual preference, handicap or diagnosis.
2. To receive an understandable explanation of your complete medical condition, recommended treatment and expected results.
3. To receive essential information in order to make correct decisions about your care, including specific details about medical alternatives.


4. To refuse medication and treatment after possible consequences of the decision have been explained clearly to you.
5. To anticipate that your personal privacy will be adhered to by the entire staff at all times.
6. To anticipate that all medical records will be kept confidential and only be released by your written permission (exceptions- subpoenas and/or court order, other law enforcement agencies, Dept. of Health and Senior Services and Centers for Disease Control, or life-threatening situations). Immunization records must be available to state inspectors.
7. To receive the names and functions of all health care professionals and staff providing care. You may refuse to allow their participation.
8. To receive prompt access to your medical records, to request inspection, a letter must be submitted to the Director of Health Services.
9. To receive communication about your health care in your native language via a translator or computer assisted translation if available.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR RIGHTS AS A PATIENT OR CONCERNS ABOUT THE QUALITY OF CARE OR SERVICE PROVIDED, YOU CAN REACH THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES AT UNION CAMPUS (908) 737- 4880.

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Health Insurance

Dear Kean@OCC Student,

According to New Jersey State Law, every student enrolled as a full-time student at a public or private institution of higher education in this state must maintain health insurance coverage that provides basic medical benefits. The coverage must be maintained throughout the period of the student's enrollment. If you change from a full-time to a part-time student, it is your responsibility to purchase the insurance.

Kean University has contracted with United Healthcare Inc. to provide Student Accident and Sickness coverage at a cost of \$158.00. United Healthcare Inc. can answer any questions that you may have pertaining to this policy or a specific claim, and you can contact them directly at 1-800-505-4160. A website, which includes a description of benefits, frequently asked questions, applications, and listing of network physicians, is available at www.firststudent.com.

If you currently have insurance coverage under another plan and choose not to enroll in the United Healthcare Inc. insurance policy, complete the waiver process by logging onto your individual **keanWISE** account. Click on the Student Menu, and then proceed to the Health Insurance Waiver link. There you will enter your valid health insurance policy information and check the box to agree to the terms. Please note that it is your responsibility to print a copy of your remittance, as this is your confirmation of your submission. Then you can click the OK button.

The deadline date for completing the health-insurance-waiver process is:

September 30, 2008

If the waiver process is not completed by the deadline date, you will be enrolled in the University's insurance plan and will be responsible for the premium.

Paper forms regarding insurance fee waivers are no longer necessary and will not be accepted by Health Services. If you have any questions feel free to call us at (908)737-4880.

Sincerely,

Ann Marie Hummel, RN (Union Campus)
Director of Health Services

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Meningitis

Dear Kean at OCC Student and Parents,

As college students and parents of college students, you should be aware of meningococcal disease, a potentially fatal bacterial infection commonly referred to as meningitis and a recommendation from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

On July 16, 2002, the Department of Health and Senior Services adopted regulations to implement the Meningitis Awareness Program in New Jersey's four-year colleges and universities. The regulations require colleges and universities to provide new students with information on meningococcal disease, the regulations require new students to receive a response form regarding the information, and colleges and universities must collect and maintain the students' responses. Reporting forms must be signed and returned to Health Services.

Starting September 1, 2004, New Jersey State Law now requires proof of meningitis vaccination as a pre-requisite for check-in to any university sponsored residence. All new students will be subject to this new law. Health Services has made arrangements to have vaccinations available to students at check-in at a cost to the student.

We want our students and parents to be aware that although there have been no reported cases at Kean University, outbreaks of meningococcal meningitis have risen on college campuses around the nation on recent years. A study has shown an increased risk among college students living and working in close proximity to each other.

Meningococcal meningitis is rare. However, when it strikes, its flu-like symptoms make diagnosis difficult. If not treated early, meningitis can lead to severe and permanent disabilities. Meningococcal disease strikes about 3,000 Americans each year, and 10 to 15% of cases are fatal.

A vaccine is available that reduces the risk against four types of the bacteria that cause meningococcal disease in the United States – types A, C, Y and W-135. These types account for nearly two thirds of meningitis cases among college students.

For more information, please feel free to contact our Health Services at (908) 737-4880 and/or consult you physician.

You can also find information about the disease at the Centers for Disease Control Website - www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dbmd/diseaseinfo - and ACHA'S Website - www.acha.org.

Sincerely,

Ann Marie Hummel, RN

Director of Health Services

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Immunizations

Dear Kean at OCC Student,

In order to comply with the NJ State law immunization requirements, all students -- including off-campus, non-matriculated, certification, part-time, etc -- must supply proof of immunization or immunity for measles, mumps and rubella (sometimes given as one vaccine called an MMR). The state requires two vaccinations for measles at least one month apart, and one vaccine each of rubella and mumps. All vaccines must have been administered after one year of age.

Beginning September 1, 2008, all new students registered for 12 or more credits must submit proof of vaccination or immunity for hepatitis B. Hepatitis B requires a series of three vaccinations.

Students may not register for their second semester until MMR immunization requirements are met, nor register for select semesters until Hepatitis B requirements are met (contact Health Services for details).

Proof of immunization for meningitis only applies to housing students.

Please Note: If you are a recent high school graduate, transfer, re-admit, or graduate student, your immunization record is not automatically forwarded to Health Services at Kean University. It is your responsibility to contact the appropriate source and request your immunization record.

Records may be obtained from the following sources:

1. An official school immunization record which contains information indicating compliance with the requirements.
2. An official record from any health department which contains information indicating compliance with the requirements.
3. A record/document signed by a physician, licensed to practice medicine or osteopathy in any jurisdiction of the United States or foreign country; or any licensed health professional approved by the NJ State Department of Health. The health care provider may complete and sign the attached form.
4. A laboratory document proving immunity to Measles, Mumps and Rubella (and hepatitis B if applicable).

****All immunization records/documents must be translated into English by a physician or health care professional approved by the NJ State Department of Health.****

Copies of records are accepted. DO NOT SEND ORIGINALS -- they cannot be returned. Health Services does not accept faxes of records; students must mail them to Kean University, Health Services, PO Box 411, Union, NJ 07083, or submit them directly to Downs Hall, room 126.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Kean University Health Services

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Medical Leave of Absences

If student will be absent for two (2) weeks or longer, a medical leave of absence is suggested.

Student must be attending classes full-time or part-time during the fall or spring semesters only. No Medical Leaves are available during the summer.

Student must complete and sign form.

A medical authorization from his/her personal physician or medical care provider stating reason for leave must accompany form.

Upon approval, copies are sent to the Registrar, Financial Aid, EEO, and Residence Life and Housing offices.

- [Print the Medical Leave of Absence Authorization Form](#) 

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Absences Due To Medical Reasons

If a student will be absent from class for five (5) consecutive days or more due to medical reasons, the student must supply Health Services with the following information:

- Documentation from a medical doctor or other medical care provider requesting authorization for “Absence due to Medical Reasons”.
- Absence due to Medical Reasons form must be completed and returned to Health Services.

If student will be absent for two (2) weeks or longer, a medical leave of absence is suggested.

- [Print the Absence Due To Medical Reasons Authorization Form](#) 

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- [New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services](#)
- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
- [General Medical Information](#)
- [Planned Parenthood](#) Information in English and Spanish
- [National Institute of Health](#)
- [American Cancer Society](#)
- [American Heart Association](#)
- [U S Department of Health](#)
- [National Library of Medicine](#) Information available in English and Spanish

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Nurse's Notes - Read All About Meningitis

FACTS

1. College students, especially living in dormitories are at a higher risk of acquiring this contagious disease.
2. This bacterial infection affects almost 2,500 Americans every year, 10-15%

- resulting in death.
3. Survivors can experience brain damage, hearing loss, or limb amputations.
 4. Disease is spread through air droplets and direct personal contact with someone who is infected. Coughing, kissing, sharing cigarettes, utensils, cups, or lip balm are a few of the culprits.
 5. Incidence is more prevalent in late winter or early spring when college students are still at school.

For further information, the following websites are available.

- [National Meningitis Association](http://www.nmaus.org) – www.nmaus.org
- [Meningitis Foundation of America](http://www.musa.org) - www.musa.org
- [American College Health Association](http://www.acha.org) – www.acha.org

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](http://www.cdc.gov) – www.cdc.gov ▲^{Top}