

Healthcare Procedures

Wallace State does not provide routine health care for individuals. For minor injuries, there is a first aid kit in each building. In the event of sudden illness or accidents, the following policies are in effect.

Serious Injury/Illness

1. If serious injury or illness occurs on campus, immediately dial 9-911 to activate the Emergency Medical Service (EMS) System. Give your name; describe the nature and severity of the medical problem and the campus location of the victim. Stay on the phone until the EMS operator hangs up. Personnel trained in first aid (Red Cross) or CPR (Red Cross or American Heart) can and should provide appropriate care. **DO NOT MOVE THE VICTIM.**
2. Notification of relatives/family members of the injured individual will be handled by the Vice President for Students, 256.352.8233; or Admissions Office 256.352.8238 during the day; or the Administrator of Extended-Day Programs 256.352.8116 during evening classes; or 256.352.8000.

Minor Injury/Illness

1. In case of minor injury or illness, trained personnel should provide any first aid deemed necessary. Use sterile first aid materials available in first aid kits.
2. The instructor or responsible attending personnel should determine if ambulance transport to an emergency care facility is required. If ambulance transport is required, the instructor or responsible person should dial 9-911 to activate the EMS System. Give your name, describe the nature and severity of the problem and the campus location of the victim. Stay on the phone until the EMS operator hangs up. **DO NOT MOVE THE VICTIM.**
3. If family members or other relatives must be notified, contact the Vice President for Students, 256.352.8233; or the Admissions Office 256.352.8238 during the day; or the Administrator of Extended-Day Programs 256.352.8116 during evening classes; or 256.352.8000.

In the case of any illness or injury, the instructor or responsible attending personnel should complete the Health Care Report. One copy should be given to the ill or injured individual and the second copy must be forwarded to the Secretary of the Nursing Department. All technical division and selected health division students are required to purchase accident insurance through WSCC. Claims on this insurance must be made in a timely manner. Therefore, the Secretary for the Nursing Department must receive the accident report within two (2) days of the incident.

Financial Considerations

All ambulance transportation and emergency care will be at the injured/ill individual's expense. We encourage all students to carry basic health care insurance. Accident insurance is available through the institution to help cover some expenses. The insurance must be purchased during registration each semester. The Cashier's Office can assist students in purchasing the accident insurance.

Tuberculosis or MRSA

Procedures exist to monitor exposure to Tuberculosis or MRSA. Any student with a concern or diagnosis should contact a WSCC staff member.