

Health Care during Foundations

1. Where do I go for treatment? When is the Georgetown Student Health Center open in summer?

Student Health Center: Foundations students are allowed to use the main campus Student Health Center, on the ground floor level of the Darnell Building. You can call the appointment number at (202) 687-2200. You will need to pay for the appointment and then you can submit the bill to your insurance company. Ask about the cost when you make an appointment. *Also, you will need to bring your GOCard for identification.*

2. Where do I seek help for my family or when the Georgetown Student Health Center is not open?

There are several "walk-in" clinics that offer basic health services. While we are not endorsing their use, they have "board-certified practitioners."

One is Arlington Urgent Care Center (take the Blue line to Pentagon City):

601 S. Carlin Springs Road

Arlington, VA 22204

PH: (703) 717-7000; FX: (703) 717-7010

www.virginiahospitalcenter.com/medical/care.aspx

It is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

- Another is the CVS Pharmacy's "Minute Clinic." Check www.minuteclinic.com for locations, hours and fees. They will see patients "18 months old and older" without appointments for "a variety of common illnesses." The website gives a list of the charges. Most of the local ones are open 7 days a week, with longer hours [8:30 or 9:00 am until 7:30 pm] Monday - Friday, and 9:00 or 10:00 am until 5:30 pm on weekends. The website can direct you to "Minute Clinics" in Arlington and Vienna in Virginia, and Bethesda and Silver Spring in Maryland. You might be able to take the metro to some of these locations. The Minute Clinic most convenient to the Law Center and to Ryan Hall is located in Tenleytown. Take Metro's Red line to Tenleytown-AU and walk to 4555 Wisconsin Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016.
- We recommend you do not use hospital Emergency Rooms (ER) as a substitute for seeing a doctor when there is no health emergency situation. The ER will be much more expensive, and you might wait a longtime to see a doctor since they take cases on a crisis basis. The ERs are great if you have a serious medical problem, but you could wait many hours if you have the flu. Save the ER for broken bones, and serious, breathing difficulties, and other urgent problems. The hospital nearest Ryan Hall, Catholic University is Providence Hospital, 1150 Varnum Street, NE, Washington, DC. They are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- For emergency dental care, there are several offices located in the DC area. Howard University has a clinic and offers emergency service. Please visit their website [www.dentistry.howard.edu/patientcare.htm] for more information. Their office is conveniently located near the Green line's Shaw/Howard University stop. In the Bethesda-Chevy Chase area, there is the Dental Care Center, which has a dentist on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Please visit their website [drgreenbergchevychasedentist.com] for more information. Their offices are located about a mile from the Silver Spring Metro station on the Red line.

3. What is the emergency number to call an ambulance?

Call **911** if you are unable to get to the hospital on your own or by cab. The local Emergency Services will send an ambulance. However, if it is not a life-threatening situation, you may be better off taking a cab or having someone drive you to the emergency room. **If you are bleeding heavily, cannot breathe, or think you might be having a heart attack, call 911!** The ambulance technicians will be able to begin treatment prior to your arrival at the hospital.

IF YOU ARE LIVING IN RYAN HALL DURING FOUNDATIONS AND HAVE A MEDICAL EMERGENCY PLEASE CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY – (202) 319-5111

IF YOU HAVE A MEDICAL EMERGENCY WHILE ON GEORGETOWN LAW'S CAMPUS, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY – (202) 662-9325