

GUIDE TO SELECTING U.S. DOCTORS

There are different types of doctors and facilities that international students can choose to go to for medical treatments. It is important to visit the correct provider to best treat your medical condition.

***“Which doctor
should I visit
when I am sick?”***

1. Student Health Center (SHC)



- Designated health center on campus
- Affordable and accessible
- First choice for students when sick

2. Primary Care Physician (PCP)



- Treats most medical conditions
- Services for annual physicals and vaccinations
- Provides referrals for labs or specialist

3. Specialist



- Focuses on a specific area of medicine
- May require referrals for appointment
- Generally more expensive

WHERE SHOULD I GO FOR IMMEDIATE TREATMENT?

If waiting for an appointment is not an option, assess your condition and select a providers below:

Urgent Care



- Walk-in clinic, no appointments necessary
- Treats wide range of medical conditions
- Long hours, short wait time and affordable

Emergency Room (ER)



- For life threatening conditions ONLY
- Very expensive and long wait times
- Open 24/7

Learn more about [ER vs Urgent Care here](#)