

Establishing Care at Student Health Services

Students who desire to receive care for ADHD at SHS can initiate the process by contacting the clinic. A member of the medical staff will review all submitted information prior to scheduling the student's first appointment. The reviewing physician needs the following documentation in order to determine whether we will assume care for their symptom management with prescription medication:

1. **A copy of formal psychological testing performed by a licensed psychologist.** We prefer that the testing has been performed within the past three years and must support a diagnosis of ADHD. In some instances, the medical director may accept a letter from a psychiatrist detailing their patient's ADHD diagnosis and treatment. The treating psychiatrist should assert that all current psychiatric conditions are controlled and that being followed by a primary care physician in a college clinic setting is appropriate for their patient.
2. A student who has previously or is currently prescribed medication for ADHD must **supply a summary letter for review** or medical records from the treating physician outlining their ADHD care.
3. Physicians providing ADHD care at SHS see only a percentage of those students enrolled with the SNAP program operated by the Center for Disability Services. **Please provide a copy of your SNAP approval letter** regarding your academic accommodations. A copy of the "Professor Notification Letter" is not required.
4. Students should review and **sign our ADHD agreement** form to affirm that our care model will meet their needs. A copy can be found at the Student Health Services website.

Receiving the information above does not guarantee the reviewing physician will determine that SHS will be able to follow you for your ADHD care. Please understand that in some instances we may decide that students with complicating and/or coexisting medical or psychological conditions require a level of care beyond the scope of our practice. In those cases, we may recommend that you seek care with a local physician who treats ADHD and our staff can assist with arranging the initial appointment.

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