

## HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION AND HEALTH CARE RESOURCES AT BAY STATE COLLEGE

### **What do I need to submit to Bay State College before I can register for classes and move into my room?**

**\*All Forms are available in and should be returned to the Admissions Office\***

*To have a smoother class registration process, it is best to complete the next three requirements prior to attending Registration Day over the summer! That way you can also ensure that everything is situated for Move-In Day!*

- Health Insurance Waiver or enroll in the Student Health Insurance:
  - Massachusetts state law requires all college students to be covered by health insurance. If students are not covered under their own or a family member's health insurance, they must sign up for student health insurance provided by a vendor with whom the college partners. There is a charge for this insurance. If you are waiving the student health insurance, you will be asked to list the name of the insurance provider, policy number, and the name of the policy holder.
- Immunization Form:
  - In accordance with the Massachusetts College Immunization Law, Bay State College requires all full-time students to provide documentation of their most recent immunizations from their doctor.
- Meningococcal Waiver:
  - Revised legislation in Massachusetts now requires all newly enrolled full-time students attending a secondary school or postsecondary institution who will be living in a residence hall to either receive the meningococcal vaccine or fall within one of the exemptions in the law, which are disclosed on the waiver.

### **Is there a health center on campus?**

- No, there is not a health care center on campus. However, we are very fortunate to be situated in downtown Boston, a city known for its excellent health care facilities. If students have a health concern that requires medical attention, they have a variety of options depending on the type of insurance coverage they have.
- We recommend, if you are from out of town, to please look into finding a local Primary Care Physician for those unforeseen health concerns. Please contact your current Primary Care Physician or Insurance Company for referrals if necessary. The following is the closest medical center to campus and houses a variety of Primary Care Physicians and Specialists:

Harvard Vanguard Medical Center  
165 Dartmouth Street  
Boston, MA 02116  
617-859-5000

### **What do I do in case of a health emergency?**

- If immediate care is necessary, students may decide to visit the Emergency Room or walk-in clinics available in our area hospitals. The following hospitals are in close proximity to our campus:

Tufts Medical Center  
Recommended Walk-In Clinic  
800 Washington Street  
Boston, MA 02111  
617-636-5000

Massachusetts General Hospital  
Recommended Emergency Room  
55 Fruit Street  
Boston, MA 02114  
617-726-2000

- Please note, that if a student leaves campus for emergency medical care, it is important that the student, friend, or roommate of the student alerts a staff member. This allows the Department of Residence Life to better follow-up on the situation and notify parents/guardians and instructors about the situation as necessary.

### **What if I have any mental health concerns while I am on campus?**

- We do have a School Counselor on campus. She is able to counsel students on an individual basis as well as provide referrals to services in the local area to students needing additional support. Here is the contact information for our School Counselor:

Location: 35 Commonwealth Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Telephone: 617-217-9212  
Email: craiche@baystate.edu

- For afterhours assistance and additional support services, there is also a Walk-In Psychiatric Clinic located at Massachusetts General Hospital as a part of their Emergency Room Services.

### **Questions?**

Please contact the Department of Residence Life on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of 35 Commonwealth Avenue or at 617-217-9223.