

Student Health Insurance

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Dear Students and Parents:

Lafayette College requires all students to have adequate health insurance. As you prepare for the 2023-2024 academic year, we ask you to carefully consider your health insurance options. The Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) is serviced by University Health Plans and is underwritten by Highmark. The cost of the SHIP for the coming academic year is \$2,584. As a precondition for enrollment, the College requires that you submit proof of private health insurance coverage if not accepting the SHIP. The deadline for submitting insurance information to the College is July 15th.

ALL students are required to complete the insurance form annually regardless of changes from year to year. Please take a moment now and follow these steps to complete the form.

- ✓ Access your <u>Patient Portal</u> using your Network ID and password.
 ✓ Click "Forms"
- ✓ Click "Insurance Form"
- ✓ Enter the required demographic information
- ✓ Select student is (1) to be enrolled in the School Health Insurance Plan OR (2) covered under private health insurance plan verified to be equivalent to SHIP. If selecting private insurance, provide detailed information about the health insurance policy.
- ✓ Click "Upload" to upload a copy of the front and back of your insurance card. Please note, students must be enrolled in a domestic health insurance policy that provides adequate coverage in the Easton area.
 - Pennsylvania Medicaid is the only exception to a domestic policy.
 - Out of State Medicaid IS NOT acceptable coverage.
 - International Students must purchase a domestic policy or choose SHIP.
 - To learn more about the Highmark Student Health Insurance Policy, access University Health Plans

Dental and Vision Coverage are supplemental options for all Lafayette students regardless of enrollment into the Student Health Insurance Plan. Access the University Health Plans webpage for enrollment costs and benefits.

As stated above, students will be automatically enrolled and billed \$2,584 for the Lafayette SHIP, unless they select private insurance and submit proof of insurance on the patient portal by July 15th.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back to campus soon. Be well. Sincerely, Jeffrey Goldstein, MD **Director of Health Services**