



Policy Title:	Excuses, Medical
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SUMMARY:

Coastal Carolina University Student Health Services (SHS) will not issue medical excuses for academic classes.

I. PURPOSE

To encourage the development of responsible health care habits by holding students accountable for decisions regarding class attendance.

II. PROCEDURE

- A. Students will be issued a statement confirming their attendance at all SHS appointments that includes the time and date of the appointment via email and via their SHS student portal. No diagnosis or personal health information will be contained in the attendance confirmation statement. It is at the professor's discretion if they will accept the statement.
- B. Providers will not routinely provide notes, excuses or medical documentation of illness for SHS clinic visits.
- C. Providers will advise the student that it is their responsibility to communicate directly with their instructor/professor.
- D. Providers will advise the student that all decisions about the impact of their absence on their grade(s) as well as any arrangements for making up work are at the discretion of their instructor/professor.
- E. If a student wishes for a SHS provider to communicate directly with a professor regarding a medical issue, they can initiate a Release of Information with the specific professor(s) they would like the provider to give information to.