

Whittier College Student Health Insurance Policy

The College is vitally concerned with the promotion of good health and the prevention of illness and injury among its students. It is mandatory that all undergraduate students enrolled in 12 or more units be covered by student health insurance. Whittier College offers a Student Health Insurance plan through Kaiser Permanente which is automatically billed to all undergraduate students taking 12 or more credit hours and to all international students. This plan is comprehensive and covers health maintenance such as physical examinations, preventative care such as vaccinations as well as care in case of any illness. The policy has been developed specifically to service Whittier College students both locally and nationally. In addition, students have an option to purchase dental and vision coverage through Golden West. You may obtain more information on the insurance plan designed especially for Whittier College students by visiting Kaiser Permanente Student Health Plan at https://studentnet.kp.org/whittiercollege - Plan Information.

In the event students already have medical insurance that meets Whittier College's waiver requirements and do not wish to enroll in this plan, you will be required to complete an Insurance Waiver Form online. То complete a waiver, please go to the website https://studentnet.kp.org/whittiercollege and select Waive Plan. The mandatory health insurance on-line waiver will not be considered after the published deadline. Check with your health insurance company to determine, what if any, benefits are covered if service is needed out of the network, or out of the geographic area. If your health insurance does not cover you while studying at Whittier College, please sign up for the college health insurance.

For those students who elect to participate in the college's health insurance plan must enroll at <u>https://studentnet.kp.org/whittiercollege</u> and select Enroll Now. Your Kaiser member ID card will be mailed to your primary residence, the address you indicated when you enrolled in the health plan. NOTE: Students will not be eligible to waive or enroll health insurance until they are enrolled as a full time student (12 or more units). A new waiver/enrollment must be submitted **each** academic year.

Kaiser Permanente Student Health plan is a supplemental insurance plan. The College assumes no responsibility for injuries sustained through the use of any of its facilities, laboratories, athletic fields, gymnasium, or for injuries sustained in classes or in athletics inter-collegiate or intramurals. Student Athletes who do not have proper health insurance coverage will be charged an additional charge of \$350.00 per semester based on the roster provided by the Athletic Department.

Students must agree to notify Whittier College Business Office in the event that their private insurance changes or cancels. Students shall indemnify Whittier College from responsibility for any medical bills or payments to insurance companies should their private insurance expire and they have failed to notify the Business Office, within 10 days of the policy expiration date.