

#### **D. JOHN C. LONGEST STUDENT HEALTH CENTER**

The Longest Student Health Center is designed to provide comprehensive, accessible, high-quality and economic healthcare to students during college years. The Center is open during regular school sessions to all Mississippi State University students who are assessed the student health fee.

It is recommended that all students use the Longest Student Health Center as their preferred provider of care while at Mississippi State. The Center is staffed with well-qualified family practice physicians and registered nurses to provide primary medical care for students. Ancillary services include pharmacy, laboratory, x-ray, and physical therapy. Other services offered include nutrition counseling and health education. The health fee covers the physician's professional charge for an unlimited number of clinic visits. Ancillary services are provided on a fee-for-service basis. Ambulance service is available through Oktibbeha County Hospital. Those who need more specialized care than the Center can provide will be referred to the appropriate resource.

Clinic hours: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Wednesday and Friday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday. The Center is closed on Saturday and Sunday and during regularly scheduled student holidays.

Health records are to be sent directly to the Longest Student Health Center, where they are kept confidential. Health records are not a part of the school records and will be kept indefinitely for future reference.

The Student Health Center does accept insurance assignments from health insurance companies recognizing the Center as an authorized provider of health care. A Student Accident and Sickness Insurance Plan has been developed specifically for Mississippi State University students and is intended as a supplement to the care provided by the Student Health Center. Sponsored by the Student Association, it is a voluntary plan for students and their dependents. International students are required by the University to subscribe to this policy unless they provide proof of equal coverage.

Information on student health services and student health insurance is available by writing to Director, John C. Longest Student Health Center, P.O. Box 6338, Mississippi State, MS 39762; telephoning (662) 325-5895; or emailing [health@saffairs.msstate.edu](mailto:health@saffairs.msstate.edu). Visit [www.health.msstate.edu](http://www.health.msstate.edu).