Summary:

Florida Board of Governors Regulation 1.001 (9-16-10) provides that “Each board of trustees is authorized to promulgate university regulations in accordance with the Regulation Development Procedure adopted by the Board of Governors,” (7-21-05). Such regulations must be consistent with law, and the regulations and strategic plan of the Board of Governors. The Regulation Development Procedure requires that the University Board of Trustees periodically review existing regulations to ensure they are current and consistent.

Regulation 6.0161 was reviewed by the Vice President for Student Affairs and amendments are proposed to reflect current requirements for access to Student Health Services and the Counseling Center.

This Regulation has been reviewed by the ACE Advisory Council (March 28, 2011) and the Academic and Campus Environment Workgroup (April 21, 2011) and will be placed for adoption on the Agenda of the June 8, 2011, Board of Trustees Meeting.

End of Summary.

Full text of the proposed amended Regulation follows:

USF SYSTEM REGULATION

Number: USF6.0161

Subject: Access To Student Health Services and The Counseling Center

Tampa Campus Student Health Center

(1) This Regulation provides specific information for access to the Student Health Service and the Counseling Center on the Tampa campus. University of South Florida System (USF System) members may offer specific health and counseling services and the terms of access, eligibility, fees, cost, and availability shall be determined by those member campuses. Information regarding those terms may be found at the Student Affairs offices on those campuses. To the extent
(2) Persons eligible for services: All students who register for classes at the Tampa campus are assessed the local campus fees, including the health fee. Therefore, the following individuals will be eligible to access the Student Health Service and the Counseling Center on the Tampa Campus:

(a) Any registered University of South Florida System students who have paid the appropriate fee, who has enrolled in a course on the Tampa campus for the semester.

(b) Continuing University of South Florida students who are not registered for the current academic term may pay the health fee during one semester of non-registration, thus granting access to the Student Health Service and Counseling Center. Courtesy access to these services via health fee payment is only available for one semester of non-enrollment. One semester is defined as either Fall, Spring, or Summer.

(c) Enrolled students from other State University System of Florida institutions who are visiting the Tampa campus may be given courtesy access to the Student Health Service or Counseling Service for urgent care needs only.

(d) Students attending summer courses, if prior approval has been granted by the Health Service Director. Participants attending USF sponsored programs such as postdoctoral fellow, research scholars, interns, etc., may have access to the Student Health Service and Counseling Center for the semester they are on campus in concordance with any applicable intra-or inter-university agreement or if they have paid either:
• The Tampa health fee, OR

• Fees for service at the published rate extant at the time of service.

(e) Other students not covered under the preceding categories, at the discretion of the Health Service Director. Previously registered USF students who graduate from USF will not be eligible to pay the health fee. In exceptional circumstances, graduated students may be given access to the Student Health Service and Counseling Center on a limited basis for visits necessary to arrange for continuity of care with another provider. Graduated students can show evidence that they are continuing in a USF program within two semesters following graduation may pay the semester health fee(s) as applicable between enrolled terms.

(2) The services available to persons defined in paragraphs (1)(a) and (1)(b) of this rule include but are not limited to:

(a) A walk-in outpatient clinic staffed by Registered nurses and/or licensed medical practitioners.

(b) Gynecology Clinic.

(c) Dermatology Clinic.

(d) Allergy Clinic.

(e) Clinical Laboratory Service.

(f) Dispensing of selected prescription drugs by Physicians at the time of the medical examination.

(3) Students who are eligible for services pursuant to paragraph (24)(b), (24)(c), or (24)(e) of this Regulation rule:

(a) Will be charged the appropriate assessed fee and fees for services at the published fee-for-service charges-rate extant at the time of service.
(b) May be personally responsible for charges incurred at the time of visit or if prior arrangements have been made, the referring University department will be charged for services, at the published fee for service extant at the time of service.

Authority: Art. IX, Sec. 7, Fla. Constitution, Fla. Board of Governors Regulation 1.001, 7.001, 7.003. History-New 7-3-79, Amended 8-25-81, Formerly 6C4-6.161, 6C4-6.0161, F.A.C., Amended 7-17-91, XX-XX-11.

AUTHORITY TO ADOPT/REPEAL REGULATION(S): Art. IX, Sec. 7, Fla. Constitution, BOG Regulation 1.001.

UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL INITIATING PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF REGULATION: Dr. Jennifer Meningall, Vice President, Student Affairs.

WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING THESE PROPOSED REGULATIONS MAY BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS AFTER THE POSTING DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO:

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