

See a PROVIDER Without Leaving School

Your child now has the option for non-emergency medical care at school with McLeod TeleHealth visits. No appointment is necessary. Visits are private and secure.

McLeod TeleHealth welcomes Family Nurse Practitioner Lauren Johnson, FNP-BC. Lauren has worked with McLeod Health since 2018 and has more than ten years of experience in the healthcare industry. Since 2019 she has served the McLeod Carolina Forest Community as a Primary Care Provider in treating and managing both acute and chronic conditions. Before obtaining her Master's Degree, she worked as a Registered Nurse at the bedside in both medical/surgical nursing and intensive care and has been serving as a Nurse Practitioner for the past four years.

"Telehealth is a vastly growing avenue for health care, and I look forward to providing care for the students, faculty and staff of Florence 1 Schools and Florence School District Two as the School Based Telehealth Services Provider. I will continue to implement evidence-based practice and standards that cater to quality, safe and effective care."

Education

Accelerated Bachelor's in Nursing The Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC/2012

Family Nurse Practitioner and Master of Science in Nursing The Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC/2019

Board Certification

Board Certified by American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)

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School-Based TeleHealth Program (SBTP)

Frequently Asked Questions

What type of care can my child receive in the SBTP?

If your child is enrolled in the SBTP, he or she will receive the same care that they would get at the doctor's office. The SBTP can manage a student's illness or minor injury at the school; thus decreasing absenteeism from school. The SBTP will NOT provide care to students without the knowledge and consent of the parent/legal guardian. If the parent desires to join the visit, they can request an email link with the appointment time and video connection instructions.

Is it mandatory for students to enroll in the SBTP?

Enrolling in the SBHC is NOT mandatory; however, it is strongly encouraged so that students may have access to quality comprehensive health care for diagnosis and treatment of illnesses such as cough/cold, sore throat, pink eye, rashes, allergies, respiratory infections, ear infections, flu, bronchitis, and other low-acuity illnesses.

Will the student receive a prescription medication?

Some conditions can be treated with over-the-counter medication; others require a more robust treatment plan requiring a prescription. Depending upon the provider's assessment, the student may or may not receive a prescription. If the provider determines the treatment plan requires a prescribed medication, the prescription will be electronically sent to the local pharmacy of choice.

How can I enroll a student in the SBTP?

To enroll a student in the SBTP, a parent/legal guardian must complete and return the Parental Consent Forms to the child's school.

Is there a cost to participate in the SBTP?

The program does not require any upfront costs from parents/legal guardians. If the student's insurance has a co-pay, the parent/legal guardian may be responsible for the co-pay amount and the provider will bill the insurance company just like a typical primary care doctor's visit.

Is a student required to have health insurance to be seen at the SBTP?

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What if the student already has a doctor?

If a student already has a Primary Care Provider (PCP), the SBTP provider will supplement the care that he or she provides. The SBTP provider may communicate with the student's doctor to make sure that your child receives the best care possible both in and out of school.

Can students from other schools access care from the SBTP?

No, the services are only available for students attending participating schools. Contact your child's school to find out if they are participating in the School-Based Telehealth Program.

Will the equipment allow the provider to adequately diagnose the student?

YES! The provider has video equipment in their office, allowing them to see your child through a high-definition camera and state-of-the-art equipment. The equipment used on the student's side has multiple attachments that allow the provider to see inside the child's ear and mouth, increase the zoom to see rashes, and get key vital readings in real time.

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