Whether you have coverage through your parents or through an independent plan, it is essential that you have a comprehensive medical insurance plan, that is, one that covers major medical and surgical expenses, outpatient prescriptions, and expenses associated with occupational injuries (i.e. HIV and hepatitis B and C exposures). In addition, the plan should provide for maternity benefits.

Students may qualify for one of the subsidized insurance plans offered under the Affordable Care Act. You can review these plans by accessing the federal government web site – [www.healthcare.gov](http://www.healthcare.gov).

You also may wish to consider the various insurance plans offered for medical students by the AMA. The web site for this organization is: [http://www.medplusadvantage.com/products/additionalrecommendations/healthinsuranceplans.html](http://www.medplusadvantage.com/products/additionalrecommendations/healthinsuranceplans.html)

If you do not have an acceptable insurance plan, you may wish to give some thought to the plan offered through the university. You can find more information about this plan by clicking on this link: [http://studentinsurance.shcc.ufl.edu/](http://studentinsurance.shcc.ufl.edu/)

If you wish to request a waiver from the student insurance plan (because you have your own plan or your parents’ plan), you should access the following link: [http://studentinsurance.shcc.ufl.edu/waiver-requirements/](http://studentinsurance.shcc.ufl.edu/waiver-requirements/) and complete the waiver.

If you do not specifically request the waiver, you will be automatically enrolled in the school plan, and the premium will be charged to your student account.

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