Swarthmore College Student Health and Wellness

Lab Corp and Quest Diagnostics Laboratory Services and Information on In-House Point of Care Tests

- Swarthmore College's Student Health Insurance Plan is Independence Administrators, an Independence Blue Cross plan. This plan has a contract with Lab Corps now.
- The student health center now uses both Lab Corp and Quest Diagnostics Laboratories to process lab specimens. We do provide lab drawing and specimen collection for laboratory studies ordered by outside health care providers. These labs are billed by the lab company to your individual health insurance plan.
- Some of your insurance carriers will not cover lab orders for routine screening, and may or may not cover some lab tests for acute illness or medical problems either.
- Before having labs done at the health center, check your insurance carrier as to whether Quest or Lab Corp is accepted as an In-Network Provider for lab services. Some may cover the labs as an out-of-network provider.
- If your insurance company does not cover the labs, you can opt to have your labs done here and pay them “out of pocket” at Swarthmore’s discounted client billing rate. Please discuss with the nurse first.
- Every student should have already completed an insurance enrollment form from April or updated your insurance information through mySwarthmore.
- Please bring a copy of your insurance card with you for lab services.
- Students will receive bills directly from Quest or Lab Corp after they are submitted to your insurance company.
- Co-payments or partial payments to the lab (not the health center) are the responsibility of the insured/student. If you have any questions about your health care bills and labs, please contact your insurance carrier and also note that you can ask to meet with Mary Jane Palma (health@swarthmore.edu) to guide you with billing questions.
- Hospital Emergency Services should be included in your insurance coverage: Check with your insurer about out-of-state and out-of-network coverage.
- IN-HOUSE LABS/Point of Care Services: Rapid Strep A, Rapid Mono, Urine dipstick, and Urine Pregnancy tests are charged directly at the time of service and not through insurance. Students will be charged $10 for these tests.

Please sign that you have read and understand the above information before labs are obtained through the health service.

Print Name ________________________________
Signature ________________________________
Date ________________ Student I.D. _________________________