Emergencies:
The Davis Student Health Center is an ambulatory, health care clinic and has limited emergency services. For sudden illness and/or injury occurring after 4:30 p.m. or on weekends when the Health Center is closed, notify Residence Assistant, Residence Hall Director, or University Police. If an emergency is serious or life threatening, call 911 or (315) 386-7777. Appropriate assistance will be coordinated by University Police. For other non-emergency medical problems when the Health Center is closed, there is the Canton-Potsdam Hospital After Hours Clinic, located in Canton, which is open daily and weekends for walk-in visits. Claxton Hepburn Canton Clinic is open daily and weekends. All expenses incurred at any local hospital or clinic are the responsibility of the student.

Student Health Insurance:
The College requires that all full-time students must enroll in this insurance plan OR be covered by comparable insurance through another source. Premiums and dates of coverage may be found in the current insurance brochure, which is available at the Health Center, One Hop Shop, or on-line on the Health Center web page.

Students interested in having this insurance for a spouse and/or dependent children under the age of 26 may do so by contacting the insurance company for details on enrollment.

Confidentiality:
All information in the student’s medical record is confidential and access to these records is restricted to Health Center personnel only. Medical information is released only upon a student’s written request or as required by law.

Visit the Health Center link from the drop down menu under Current Students at www.canton.edu. You can access the insurance brochure, download Health Center forms and view services available in addition to other related information and links. There is an “Ask a Nurse” link available on the Health Center page for any non-urgent health or other related questions.

NON-DISCRIMINATION NOTICE
Pursuant to the State University of New York policy, SUNY Canton is committed to fostering a diverse community of outstanding faculty, staff, and students, as well as ensuring equal educational opportunity, employment, and access to services, programs, and activities, without regard to an individual’s race, color, national origin, religion, creed, age, disability, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, familial status, pregnancy, predisposing genetic characteristics, military status, domestic violence victim status, or criminal conviction. Employees, students, applicants, or other members of the campus community (including, but not limited to, vendors, visitors, and guests) may not be subjected to harassment that is prohibited by law or treated adversely or retaliated against based upon a protected characteristic.

The University’s policy is in accordance with federal and state laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination and harassment. These laws include the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as Amended by the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972, and the New York State Human Rights Law. These laws prohibit discrimination and harassment, including sexual harassment and sexual violence.

Inquiries regarding the application of laws, regulations, and policies prohibiting discrimination may be directed to Co-Affirmative Action Officers, William Jones at (315) 386-7063/jonesw@canton.edu or Lashawanda Ingram at (315)386-7228/ ingraml@canton.edu. Inquiries regarding the application of Title IX may be directed to the Title IX Coordinator, Amanda Decker, at (315) 386-7688/wood121@canton.edu. Inquiries may also be directed to the United States Department of Education’s Office for Civil Rights, 32 Old Slip 26th Floor, New York, NY 10005-2500; Tel. (646) 428-3800; email OCR.NewYork@ed.gov.

“Health is a large word. It embraces not only the body, but the mind and spirit as well; and not today’s pain or pleasure alone, but the whole being and outlook of a person.”

- James H. West

“Wellness must be a prerequisite to all else. Students cannot be intellectually proficient if they are physically unwell.”

- Ernest Boyer, Campus Life in Search of Community
Medical Staff:
Dr. Rose Heisse - College Physician
Patricia Todd, RN, ANP - Director
Julie Cruickshank, RN, MSN, Associate Director
Martha Cole, RN, FNP
Caroline Pearson, RN, FNP
Nancy Harrington, RN, ANP
Crystal Simmons, RN, PNP
Jennifer Hynes, LPN
Health Educator/Wellness Coordinator:
Farren Lobdell, NCC
Secretary:
Dianne Chappell

Mandatory College Admission Requirement:
A self-reporting Health History and Immunization Form, which can be found at:
www.canton.edu/health_center/forms/health_history.pdf, must be completed by all students enrolled in six or more credit hours. International students and students in Nursing, Dental Hygiene, Physical Therapist Assistant, and Early Childhood must have the physical exam section of the Health History Form completed by their health care provider. The physical exam is optional for all other students. Note: All students planning on going out for intercollegiate athletics need only the Athletic Health History and Physical Exam Form which can be found at: www.canton.edu/health_center/forms/Athletic_Physical.pdf.

Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR) immunizations are required for all students born on or after January 1, 1957, taking six or more credit hours, prior to the start of classes. The Meningitis Response Form MUST BE COMPLETED by all students taking six or more credit hours. The MMR requirement and the Meningitis Response Form are part of the Health History Form. Both of these requirements are mandated by New York State law. Failure to comply with one or both requirements will result in suspension from the college. Students taking all online classes and not living on campus are exempt from the immunization requirements.

Mandatory Student Health Fee:
As mandated by the State University of New York Board of Trustees, a health fee has been established per semester for full-time students and per credit hour for part-time degree students. This fee is subject to change. At the present time, the only category of students exempt from paying this fee are non-degree, part-time students.

Availabilty of Services:
Medical care is available during the Fall and Spring Semesters to all registered students paying the Student Health Fee. Appointments are recommended. Walk-ins will be seen by the first available staff member as the schedule permits. First aid and health advice are available to faculty and staff.

Health Services Available on Campus:
1. Outpatient health care consisting of consultation, examination, treatment, and referral.
2. Immunizations for MMR, tetanus, & Tb testing are available at no charge. Hepatitis B vaccine is available for a fee.
3. Some lab services such as pregnancy testing, urinalysis, and tuberculin testing are available at no charge. Other diagnostic testing and X-rays are done at a local hospital. Students are responsible for hospital charges.
4. Allergy injections are given as ordered by the student’s physician according to specific written instructions. There is no extra charge for this service.
5. Gynecological services, including women’s health care, Pap tests, birth control, and testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are available by appointment only. There may be additional charges for lab tests sent to outside labs. Emergency contraception is available at low cost.
6. Confidential HIV Counseling and Testing are available for all students by appointment.
7. Tobacco cessation and nutrition counseling are available for students by appointment.
8. A limited number of the most commonly used prescriptions and over-the-counter medications are provided without charge.

**NOTE** Medications are only provided for acute illnesses. Long term medications, such as inhalers, insulin, etc. are not provided. A prescription may be written for these medications.

9. Health Education is provided to individuals or groups. Educational materials are available for student use.

10. Students may use the Self-Care Center to pick up free items such as over-the-counter medications (decongestants, cough syrup and Ibuprofen), band aids, temp dot thermometers, and condoms.

Medical Excuses:
Per the SUNY Canton Excused Absence Policy, the Davis Health Center will not provide students with medical excuses for absences from class or missed deadlines due to illness or injury. These absences are between the faculty member and the student. For more information on the excuse policy, please see the College Excuse Policy web page (www.canton.edu/dos/absences.html).

“Take care of your body. It’s the only place you have to live.”
-Jim Rohn, American Businessman, Author, Speaker, Philosopher