

NURSING PROGRAM - NEW REQUIREMENT ON CASTLE BRANCH

Health Insurance: Nursing students are now required to provide proof of health insurance before starting clinical at their site locations. The purpose of this requirement is to provide insurance protection in the event of accident or injury. If a student is unable to secure health insurance coverage prior to their clinical experience, they will be unable to attend clinical, which will delay or disrupt degree progression.

Upload the front and back of your health insurance card to your Castle Branch account.

- If you have health coverage under a parent or spouse and your name does not appear on the insurance card, you **must submit proof of coverage by either a letter or document showing that you are covered.**

Items on the document that must be present:

- primary policy holder,
- name of insurance with number
- name of student that is covered.

Military: the military ID is not accepted as verification of health insurance coverage. You must submit documentation from the carrier from which you have insurance coverage.

If you do not have health insurance coverage you may be able to apply through the Health Insurance Marketplace. You may visit <https://www.healthcare.gov/> to see cost of individual and family plans. You may also work with a licensed agent/broker in Arizona by going to: www.coveraz.org or calling (800) 377-3536.

Local help is available to find a plan; as a student, you may meet the income requirements for Medicaid (AHCCCS) coverage. If you need to apply for Medicaid, please do so as soon as possible; processing time can be a minimum of 2 weeks or more. Students may contact YC's Strong Foundations Office to receive application assistance for AHCCCS. To schedule an in-person or virtual appointment with the Strong Foundations, please copy-paste URL link: <https://www.yc.edu/v6/student-services/strong-foundations/index.html>