

Is this an Emergency?

Not every medical situation requires a visit to the hospital emergency department. Waiting until the next day to see the doctor or going to an urgent care facility instead is often the best choice.

How do you recognize an emergency?

An emergency is when someone will suffer significant harm or die unless prompt care is received. That's when you call 9-1-1 or go immediately to the emergency department for help.

If you have questions about whether your situation is an emergency, call your primary care doctor. Olin Health Center offers a 24-hour Phone Information Nurse service so you can talk with a nurse to help determine whether your situation is an emergency. Call: 517.353.5557

Use Student Health Services or Urgent Care (not the hospital) for:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Earaches• Minor cuts where bleeding is controlled• Minor dog or animal bites where bleeding is controlled; do see your doctor immediately because a rabies shot may be required.• Sprains• Sunburns or minor burns from cooking• Colds, cough, sore throat or flu	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Insect stings or delayed swelling from a sting; however, if there is breathing difficulty, go to the emergency department.• Skin rashes• Fever; however, if there is a convulsion or extreme fever in a child, do go to the emergency department• Sexually transmitted diseases
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Go to the hospital emergency department for:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Loss of consciousness• Signs of a heart attack that last two minutes or longer, which include chest pain or chest pain radiating to the left arm• Signs of a stroke, which include sudden onset of numbness in any extremity and elevated blood pressure• Severe shortness of breath• Bleeding that does not stop after 10 minutes of direct pressure• Sudden severe pain	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Poisoning• A severe or worsening reaction to an insect bite or sting, or to a medication, especially if breathing is affected• A major injury, such as a head injury• Unexplained stupor, drowsiness or disorientation• Coughing up or vomiting blood• Suicidal or homicidal feelings• Anything else you reasonably believe may be an emergency
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When Student Health Services is open, call 517.353.4660 to schedule an appointment. When Olin Student Health Services is closed there are services available in the Lansing area.

**For emergencies: Sparrow Hospital
1215 E Michigan Avenue, Lansing**

For urgent services that are not life-threatening emergencies . . .

<p>98point6 Emergicenter 517.913.6711 - 986emergicenter.com</p> <p>1540 Lake Lansing Road, Suite 203 Lansing Charter Township</p> <p>Hours: 12 noon - 10 pm Monday-Friday 10 am – 8 pm, Sat-Sun</p>	<p>Sparrow Urgent Care, E.L. 517. 333.6562</p> <p>Sparrow Urgent Care and Laboratory 2682 E Grand River</p> <p>Hours: 8 am–8 pm Seven days a week.</p>
<p>Lansing Urgent Care* 517.333.9200 – lansingurgentcare.com</p> <p>505 N. Clippert Street Lansing (Across from Frandor) Hours: 9 am – 9 pm Monday-Friday, 9 am – 6 pm Sat-Sun</p>	<p>Redi Care* (517) 339-2100</p> <p>1881 W Grand River, Okemos (Haslett Redi Care moved to Okemos) Hours: 8 am - 8 pm Mon-Sat, 8 am – 6:30 pm on Sunday</p>

If you aren't sure this is an emergency, call
Olin Health Center Phone Information Nurse
(517) 353-5557 (Available 24 hours per day, every day.)

If you have questions or concerns about the above information, please call the Olin Ombudsman at 432-0003 or e-mail: olin@msu.edu