

# Medical help now available on Saturday

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Three hours in a hospital emergency room is not how freshman Nicole Wilkening imagined spending one of her first Saturdays at college. With a sore throat, aching head and limited choice of medical facilities, Wilkening visited Cleveland Regional Medical Center in Shelby.

"Both my RA and I called around to different places, but no one was open, so I had to go to the emergency room," said Wilkening.

Fortunately for students like Wilkening, Gardner-Webb has recently been working to provide a place where students can get medical attention on Saturdays, when most doctor's offices are closed.

Under the leadership of Residence Life, the University has come under an agreement with CLECO Family Practice in Shelby.

CLECO, which stands for Cleveland County, is a medical service combining the forces of several local doctor's offices. Four medical providers and five nurses work on a rotation basis at the facility.

"CLECO provides students with an option to get non-emergency medical attention on the weekends," said Dean and Director of Residence, Life Doug Searcy.

CLECO is opened to walk-ins 8-9:30 a.m. and 1-2:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Saturday appointments are available for sick patients only.

"Their policy had indicated to us that students should call in advance. Based on CLECO's availability, they

will provide an appointment for you," said Searcy.

As it does with the nearby Boiling Springs Medical Associates, Gardner-Webb will pay the first \$15 of any full-time, residential student's CLECO bill. The student pays the bill's balance.

Searcy states that Boiling Springs Medical Associates, located at 305 W. College Avenue, near the University Commons Apartments, will remain Gardner-Webb's main medical

provider.

Despite the proximity of Boiling Springs Medical Associates (BSMA) to the Gardner-Webb campus, some students still feel there should be an on-campus infirmary.

"Every other college that I know of has one [an infirmary] except for Gardner-Webb," said junior Scott Ryan.

"I don't understand why we aren't meeting the standard that other schools are setting. I think we need to raise the standard," he said.

Searcy explains that Gardner-Webb does not have an on-campus infirmary because of the medical options already available to students in the Boiling Springs area.

"We have many options available to us," said Searcy. "Boiling Springs Medical Associates benefits the institute, offers low costs to students, is in a convenient location and administers good medical attention," he said.

Along with CLECO and Boiling Springs Medical Associates, students can receive medical attention at several other area locations. However, under GWU's current student medical policy, the university will only cover the first \$15 at BSMA or CLECO.

## Local options for medical help

### CLECO Family Practice

101 Grover Street (Shelby)  
704-480-9344

8-9:30 Monday-Friday, Sat. by appointment  
Services: non-emergency, routine treatments  
Costs are the same as BSMA

### Carolina Family Care

327-A West College Avenue,  
beside Crawley Memorial Hospital  
704-434-0101

2-5:30 Wednesday and Friday  
Services: physicals, cancer screenings, diagnostic procedures, cardiac testing, OBGYN, etc.  
Costs vary according to procedure.  
Most insurances accepted

### Cleveland Regional Medical Center

201 E. Grover St. (Shelby)  
704-487-3000

24 hrs a day, 7 days a week  
Services: all emergencies  
Costs vary depending on procedure. Most insurances accepted.

### Boiling Springs Women's Care

327-B W. College Ave., beside Carolina  
Family Care  
704-487-5268

8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Mon., Wed. & Fri.  
8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Thursday  
Services: all OBGYN care  
Costs vary depending on procedure. Most insurances accepted.

# Library adds new technology for students

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Over the summer, a number of new services were added to the library to offer more convenience to students. A patron self-renewal, a search of course reserves, an Encyclopedia Britannica (EB) online reference tool and netLibrary (the newest addition to NC Live) were among the additions.

Patrons can reach any of these services by going to [www.library.gardner-webb.edu](http://www.library.gardner-webb.edu) or by visiting the Gardner-Webb home page and clicking

on the library link.

Students are now able to renew books online from home by accessing the library's main page. If patrons are successful in renewing an item, the new due date of the item will be presented on the screen. If unsuccessful, the reason for denial will be displayed on the screen. Students can renew a circulating item only once and it cannot be renewed if it is overdue.

Patrons can also search for books that professors have put on reserve. This can be done by either the class name or the professor's name. Students can view

all of the items on reserve for the class and can determine if a specific item is presently in use.

Also, if a student forgets the title of a book, he or she can look it up on the online catalogue by accessing the course reserve records for that class.

Another addition is an online edition of Encyclopedia Britannica that students can access from on or off-campus. At EB online, students can get a variety of reference sources beyond the encyclopedia itself. There are links to 130,000 websites from the encyclopedia that you can access by just clicking

on the hyperlink.

Also, students can benefit from the Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary that is available on the site as well.

The newest supplement to NC LIVE is netLibrary. NetLibrary permits users to check out online books for two hours at a time. In order to use its services, a student must set up a personal account.

The library staff is also trying to add netLibrary's contents to the library catalogue so students can go directly from the catalogue to the electronic book at netLibrary. Students can also

limit their searches to netLibrary's electronic titles only.

The library has also added a couple of new staff members to help patrons. Mary Roby is the new associate director for the library. Sherry Tsiugham is now the weekend circulation assistant. The library is now conducting a search for a reference librarian.

Valerie Perry, director of the library, said, "I'm pleased with the new things we were able to implement into the library. This is always an exciting time of year."



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