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Lee Health Convenient Care Locations Now Accepting Most Medicaid Improves accessibility, affordability for those with urgent medical needs

Southwest Florida residents seeking urgent medical care now have more access to health care with Lee Health Convenient Care. Starting this month, Lee Convenient Care urgent care clinics now accept 95 percent of Medicaid plans in the region,

including Vivida Health, bringing high-quality care to low-income residents enrolled in a Medicaid health plan.

Medicaid is a joint state and federal government program that provides health coverage for low-income adults, children, pregnant women, and people with disabilities.

"Many Medicaid participants aren't aware their health plan covers walk-in clinics and instead choose the emergency department for nonlife-threatening treatment. We're proud to now offer more options for patients," said Kris Fay, Chief Administrative Officer of Lee Physician Group. "Convenient Cares are a great option for patients who don't have a primary care physician, and are a great alternative to using the emergency department — especially during season."

Plans now accepted include:
•Aetna Better Health
•Children's Medical Services (CMS) through Wellcare of Florida
•Florida Community Care (FCC)
•Humana Medicaid
•Molina Healthcare Of Florida
•Sunshine State Health Plan, Inc.
•Vivida Health*
•WellCare (Staywell) Medicaid HMO

Urgent care clinics are appropriate when:
•You have a nonlife-threatening medical emergency
•You're unable to make an appointment with your primary care doctor
•You don't have a primary care physician

No appointment is necessary.

By knowing the best place to go for your medical care, you can get in and out of the doctor's office faster and avoid a busy emergency room. If you have a life-threatening illness or injury, remember always to call 911 to seek immediate medical attention.

Lee Health offers four walk-in clinics. Convenient Care

locations include:
- 16230 Summerlin Road, Fort Myers – 7 a.m.-7 p.m. daily
- 4771 S. Cleveland Ave., Fort Myers – 7 a.m.-7 p.m. daily
- 13340 Metro Parkway, Fort Myers – 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. daily
- 1682 NE Pine Island Road, Cape Coral – 7 a.m.-7 p.m. daily

Kids Urgent Care, located in the Golisano| Nicklaus Children's Health Center, 3361 Pine Ridge Road, Naples, is open from 11 a.m. –11 p.m. daily.

For more information, visit www.LeeHealth.org, or call 239-481-4111.

*Vivida Health, is a provider service network (PSN) created exclusively for Medicaid enrollees in Southwest Florida. It is owned and operated by Lee Health and helps provide underserved or vulnerable residents with the care and resources they need through this innovative program.

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