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Health Services Achieves AAAHC Accreditation

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STATESBORO, Ga. – Georgia Southern University has been recognized for providing outstanding and high-quality medical care to students. Health Services has received accreditation by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC) after an extensive self-assessment and on-site survey.

Among private and public colleges and universities in the state, Georgia Southern is one of only three accredited by AAAHC. Georgia Tech and Emory are the other two. Health Services is also the only non-surgical primary care center in the region including private primary care offices to receive the AAAHC accreditation. The organization also recognized Georgia Southern as a certified Patient Centered Medical Home providing comprehensive proactive, preventive and chronic care management and treatment.

"This designation proves our facility and medical professionals meet and exceed nationally recognized standards when it comes to taking care of Georgia Southern students," said Medical Director Dr. Brian DeLoach. "This provides external validation that we are providing safe, high-quality care and hold ourselves to the highest standards regarding the care that we deliver."

Health Services has adopted the slogan Your Medical Home Away from Home to describe daily efforts made to meet the health and wellness needs of more than 20,000 students. "We believe our patients deserve the best," explained DeLoach. "We are constantly looking to find better ways to serve our patients, and this is a reminder that our responsibility is to strive to continuously improve the quality of care we provide."

The surveyors noted the facility is undersized and outdated but were amazed that DeLoach and the staff have been able to do so much with so little. A bigger, state-of-the-art facility is coming. University Health Services is now in the design phase of a new $10 million facility that will be built at the corner of Chandler Road and Plant Drive. It is expected to open in mid-2015.

Georgia Southern University, a Carnegie Doctoral/Research University founded in 1906, offers 125 degree programs serving more than 20,000 students. Through eight colleges, the University offers bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs built on more than a century of academic achievement. Georgia Southern is recognized for its student-centered approach to education. Visit: www.georgiasouthern.edu.
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