



WPI Health and Wellness Services (WPIHWS) **does not** provide verification of illness forms for **minor routine** illnesses or injuries.

WPIHWS may provide verification of illness forms for **significant prolonged illnesses or injuries** resulting in absence from classes.

### **Routine Illness**

A routine illness would be a minor illness or injury, such as colds, and flu-like or self-limited gastrointestinal illnesses.

**For routine illness-related absences, students should correspond directly with the faculty as soon as possible regarding their situation, ideally before they miss a class, exam, or other evaluative activity.**

### **Significant, Prolonged Illness**

A significant, prolonged illness is a **serious** illness or injury lasting at least a week. Medical documentation is required, from either WPIHWS clinicians or outside clinicians.

**When appropriate**, students may request the verification during their WPIHWS clinician visit or send a secure message to their clinician. If students have received care from an outside provider for a significant, prolonged illness, they must provide appropriate documentation to the WPIHWS Director, 32 Hackfeld Rd. Student Health and Wellness Service Center, 508-831-5520.