

# Professional Volunteers

## How to get Liability Coverage to Volunteer

Professional volunteers must have liability coverage to provide care at the Free Medical & Dental Clinic. There are three possible ways you can get coverage.

### 1. Volunteer Health Care Provider Program (VHCPP)

This is a state run program that provides free liability coverage to professional volunteers at free medical clinics in Iowa. Volunteers must fill out an application to be approved. Once the application is submitted, it takes approximately one month for approval.

In addition to the application, some professions are required to submit an online self-query. Please see the VHCPP application to identify professions required to submit a self-query.

Please contact the Volunteer Coordinator for an application.

### 2. Letter from Department

Faculty MDs of the Carver College of Medicine can obtain letters from their department heads providing coverage for services at the ICFMC, as long as they are “departmental in nature.”

Providers of UICMS (including MDs, Pas and NPs) are covered by UICMS to volunteer services at FMC.

### 3. Certificate of Liability

If you currently have private liability coverage, you can ask your insurance provider to extend this coverage for when you volunteer at the Free Medical & Dental Clinic. Volunteers must provide a copy of this certificate of liability to the clinic and update it when it expires.

## Questions?

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