


Name of Policy: Pediatric Patients: Treatment of Minors Policy Number: 3364-101-01-10 Approving Officer: Chief Operating Officer Responsible Agent: Senior Administrative Director, Clinic Operations Scope: University of Toledo Ambulatory Services		 Effective date: 5/16/2025 Original effective date: 5/20/2014	
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(A) Policy statement

UTMC Pediatrics and Medicine Departments will treat minors. Decisions regarding the medical care of minors will be the responsibility of the Attending Provider of the clinic. Ohio stature allows minors (anyone less than 18 years old) to obtain healthcare without parents for the following:

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| • Pregnancy testing | • Contraceptives |
| • Emergency contraception | • Sexually transmitted illnesses |
| • HIV testing and counseling | • Abortion services (judicial bypass) |
| • Sexual assault | • Emergency care |
| • Substance Abuse (12 years and older) | • Mental health (14 years and older; 6 sessions or 30 days limit – whichever occurs first) |

(B) Purpose of policy

It is the goal of the faculty and staff at UTMC Pediatrics and Medicine Departments to provide outstanding medical care to all of our patients through all developmental stages.

(C) Scope

- Any minor presenting to UTMC Pediatrics and Medicine Departments clinics for a health concern that is not listed above must be accompanied by his/her parent or legal guardian.
- Additionally, if the parent or legal guardian is not able to accompany the patient, especially for a well-childcare visit during which immunizations will be administered, the person accompanying the patient must provide written documentation that the parental/legal is aware of the visit and has granted permission for the person accompanying the patient to consent for the patient's health care. This documentation will be placed in the patient's medical record at the time of the patient's visit. Alternatively, verbal consent will be accepted (over the phone) from a parent or legal guardian as long as the consent is verified by two employees and documented. At the earliest convenience, written consent should be obtained with a list of authorized people able to accompany the minor.

<p>Approved by:</p> <p>/s/</p> <hr/> <p>Marci Cancic-Frey PT DPT MBA Senior Administrative Director – Clinic Operations</p> <p>5/16/2025</p> <hr/> <p>Date</p> <p>/s/</p> <hr/> <p>Christine Stesney-Ridenour, FACHE Chief Operating Officer</p> <p>5/16/2025</p> <hr/> <p>Date</p> <p><i>Review/Revision Completed by: Senior Administrative Director, Clinic Operations</i></p>	<p>Policies Superseded by This Policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 01-10 <p>Initial effective date: 5/2014</p> <p>Review/Revision Date: 5/20/2014 5/1/2017 7/1/2017 3/15/2020 6/15/2023 5/16/2025</p> <p>Next review date: 5/16/2028</p>
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