

VUMC Terminology

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New terminology guide explains VUMC facility names and acronyms

- Vanderbilt University Medical Center (VUMC) continues to enjoy a period of rapid organizational growth. Each month brings hundreds of new employees while additional clinical facilities and services pop up at locations throughout Middle Tennessee and surrounding states. Even for veteran employees, VUMC's phenomenal growth can be difficult to follow.
- It's critically important for any organization's long-term success for everyone to be able to speak the same language and follow cultural norms.
- As new employees quickly discover, we are an organization that thrives on the liberal use of acronyms to refer to an ever-growing list of facilities, locations and services.
- By chance, have you ever traveled from OHO, stopping off at VUH for a meeting before breaking for lunch at the TVC Cafeteria?
- To assist new employees and veterans alike, a names and acronyms terminology guide has been created to provide an up-to-date list of VUMC's facilities and business entities and how to accurately refer to each.



| Acronym or Term | Defined as | When to use/ Terms to avoid |
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| VUMC | Encompasses all aspects and missions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main Campus clinical programs (hospitals, clinics) • Off-campus clinical programs (clinics and hospital-based facilities) • Regional Hospitals and regional ambulatory sites • Academic Enterprise (research and training) | Do not use “VUMC” to signify Main Campus only. |
| Vanderbilt Health System or Vanderbilt Health | All clinical programs and facilities, Main Campus and Regional Hospitals, that are part of VUMC. The terms “Vanderbilt Health System” and “Vanderbilt Health” are public-facing marketing terms. | |
| Main Campus | All clinical facilities/programs on 21 st Avenue campus (VUH, Monroe Carell, TVC and all ambulatory programs, Vanderbilt Psychiatric Hospital, Vanderbilt Stallworth Rehabilitation Hospital) | |
| VUH or Vanderbilt University Hospital | Main Campus inpatient med surg facility for patients 18 and over | Do not use “VAH” or “VUAH” or include “Adult”. |
| Jim Ayers Tower | Vanderbilt University Hospital expansion located between 21 st Avenue South and Medical Center Drive on the Main Campus in Nashville. | Do not use “Ayers Tower” or “JAT” or “the Tower.” Always use the full tower name. |

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| Monroe Carell Jr. Children’s Hospital at Vanderbilt OR Monroe Carell | All children’s (patients under 18) inpatient and ambulatory programs and facilities, including both regional and main campus locations | Do not use “MCJCHV,” “VCH,” or any other combination. For print/online materials for external use, including donors and community, use full name in first use, and “Monroe Carell” in subsequent use. For verbal use and for internal working and operational documents, “Monroe Carell” is always permissible. |
| VPH or Vanderbilt Psychiatric Hospital | The 106-bed psychiatric hospital located on VUMC’s Main Campus which also includes: all Partial Hospitalization Programs (PHP) and Intensive Outpatient Programs (IOP) | |
| VBH or Vanderbilt Behavioral Health | All behavioral health services at VUMC, including VPH as identified above, inpatient consultation services, ambulatory services, and school-based services. | |
| Regional Hospitals | Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital, Vanderbilt Tullahoma-Harton Hospital, and Vanderbilt Wilson County Hospital. | Do not use the term “the Regionals.” OK to use “Regional Hospitals” and to use the following abbreviations for the individual hospitals: VBCH, VTHH, VWCH. |

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| Adult Ambulatory Division | Adult Ambulatory Division operates over 400 outpatient clinics across four states and six surgery centers in Middle Tennessee. | OK to use "OHO" for One Hundred Oaks; "TVC" for The Vanderbilt Clinic; "VAV" for Village at Vanderbilt; "MAB" for Medical Arts Building; and "MCE" for Medical Center East. The following 3 terms are <u>only</u> appropriate for internal dashboards/communications: AOD = Ambulatory Operations Davidson; AOR = Ambulatory Operations Regional; D2E = Direct to Employer. |
| Select VUMC Hospital-Based Locations# | | |
| Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital Vanderbilt Surgery and Clinics Murfreesboro^ | Hospital-based facility located at 2102 West Northfield Boulevard, Murfreesboro, TN 37129. | For print/online materials for external use, use the full name as listed. For verbal use and for internal working and operational documents, it is permissible to use "VCSC" or "Vanderbilt Children's Surgery Center" or "surgery center."^ |
| Vanderbilt Surgery Center^ | Hospital-based facility located at 225 Bedford Way, Franklin, TN 37064. | For print/online materials for external use, use the full name as listed. For verbal use and for internal working and operational documents, it is permissible to use "VSC" or "Franklin Surgery Center" or "surgery center." |
| Vanderbilt Health Belle Meade^ | Hospital-based facility located at 6002 Highway 100, Nashville, TN 37205. | For print/online materials for external use, use the full name as listed. For verbal use and for internal working and operational documents, it is permissible to use "Belle Meade Surgery Center" or "surgery center."^ |
| Vanderbilt Surgery Center One Hundred Oaks^ | Hospital-based facility that will be located at 719 Thompson Lane, Suite #28900, Nashville, TN 37204. | For print/online materials for external use, use the full name as listed. For verbal use and for internal working and operational documents, it is permissible to use "One Hundred Oaks Surgery Center" or "surgery center."^ |
| Vanderbilt Health Hendersonville | Hospital-based facility located at 129 Anderson Lane North, Hendersonville, TN 37075. | Use the name as listed. |
| Vanderbilt Health Pleasant View | Hospital-based facility located at 6536 Highway 41A, Pleasant View, TN 37146. | Use the name as listed. |
| | # A comprehensive list of VUMC's hospital-based locations (aka provider-based locations) is found here: https://www.vanderbilthealth.com/information/hospital-based-clinics | ^ Do not refer to this facility as an "Ambulatory Surgery Center" or "ASC" because the facility is not licensed as an "Ambulatory Surgery Center" under Tennessee licensing standards 0720-20.20220701.pdf |

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| Select VUMC Affiliated Entity (Alpha Order) | |
| CFC | Carefluent Connect, LLC - Organized to provide clinically integrated support services to patients as they are discharged from VUMC or whose care is managed by VUMC. |
| OHOI | One Hundred Oaks Imaging, LLC - Owns and operates an outpatient diagnostic imaging center in Nashville. |
| SHIC | Spring Hills Imaging, LLC - Owns and operates an outpatient diagnostic imaging facility in Spring Hill, Tennessee. |
| VBCH | Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital, LLC, d/b/a* Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital - Formed to own and operate a hospital in Shelbyville, Tennessee. |
| VHAN | Vanderbilt Health Affiliated Network, LLC - Formed to contract with other healthcare providers to jointly develop and implement a clinical integration program through a clinically integrated network of physicians and hospitals. |
| VHCS | Vanderbilt Home Care Services, LLC, d/b/a* Vanderbilt Home Care Services - Provides home health services to former patients of VUMC and other healthcare systems in Middle Tennessee. |
| VHS | Vanderbilt Health Services, LLC - A Tennessee nonprofit limited liability company that operates as a holding company. |
| VIP | Vanderbilt Integrated Providers, LLC d/b/a* Vanderbilt Integrated Providers (TN and KY) and Vanderbilt Pediatric Associates (KY) – Formed to employ providers and staff in clinics located off the main VUMC campus and affiliate with or purchase and operate physician practices in the region. |
| * d/b/a means “doing business as” | |

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| Select VUMC Affiliated Entity Acronyms (Continued - Alpha Order) | |
| VIPMS | VIP Midsouth, LLC, d/b/a* VIP Children’s Clinic - Operates pediatric physician clinics in Middle Tennessee. |
| VIS | Vanderbilt Imaging Services, LLC (d/b/a* Vanderbilt Imaging Services Hillsboro; Vanderbilt Imaging Services Belle Meade; Vanderbilt Imaging Services Midtown; and Vanderbilt Imaging Services Bellevue) - Owns and operates outpatient diagnostic imaging centers in Hillsboro Village, Belle Meade, and Nashville. |
| VMH | Vanderbilt Montgomery Holdings, LLC - Serves as a holding company for VUMC’s 20% interest in Clarksville facilities and practices, operating as Tennova Healthcare – Clarksville, a hospital, related clinics and FSED in Clarksville, Tennessee. |
| VMRO | Vanderbilt-Maury Radiation Oncology, LLC - Owns and operates a radiation oncology center in Spring Hill, Tennessee. |
| VSCCS (formerly CSSC) | Ambulatory Surgery Center of Cool Springs, LLC d/b/a* Vanderbilt Surgery Center Cool Springs - Owns and operates an ambulatory surgery center in Cool Springs. |
| VSRH | Vanderbilt Stallworth Rehabilitation Hospital, LP - Owns and operates an acute care rehabilitation hospital in Nashville, Tennessee. |
| VTHH | Vanderbilt Coffee Hospital, LLC d/b/a* Vanderbilt Tullahoma-Harton Hospital - Formed to own and operate a hospital in Tullahoma, Tennessee. |
| Other Entities | |
| PLLC | Hospital Physicians, PLLC - Employs physicians practicing in certain hospital-based specialties. |

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| Shared Clinical Services Terminology | |
| SCS | VUMC's Shared Clinical Services Division centralizes critical clinical services across the health system. This creates a better means of communication, workload prioritization, standardization of processes, creating a coalesced approach to healthcare. Currently the division includes: VUMC's Pharmacy, Laboratory, Sterile Processing, Emergency Operations, Decedent Affairs, Radiology, and coordinates closely with VUMC's safety and security initiatives. |
| Medical Laboratory Terms | |
| VML | Vanderbilt Medical Laboratories |
| PMI | Pathology, Microbiology and Immunology |
| Pharmacy Terms | |
| CCC | Comprehensive Care Clinic (a Ryan White clinic caring for patients who have HIV). CCC is covered by a separate HRSA registration for 340B eligibility. |
| HCRx | Hospital & Clinic Pharmacy, which is the operating division in Workday. |
| HTC | Hemophilia Treatment Center, which is separately covered by HRSA Registration for 340B eligibility. |
| IDS | Investigational Drug Service |
| MCP | Multiple Contract Pharmacies, an all-inclusive term for VUMC's 340B retail and specialty pharmacy relationships with external pharmacies such as Walgreens/CVS/Accredo etc. |
| MSS | Melrose Support Services Facility (Pharmacy) |
| RSM | Retail Specialty and Multiple Contract Pharmacies, a term that covers all outpatient prescriptions |
| VSP | Vanderbilt Specialty Pharmacy |
| Sterile Processing Terms | |
| VCCOC | Vanderbilt Case Cart Operations Center, which prepares perioperative supplies and surgical instruments |
| VUHB – CSP | VUH Basement Central Sterile Processing |

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