Purpose
In order to fulfill our mission to identify and reduce health barriers to learning, decrease absenteeism, and promote optimal student health, Student Medical Services & Medi-Cal Programs works collaboratively with other units in Student Health and Human Services to ensure comprehensive, integrated school-health delivery.

Who We Are
SMSMP is comprised of a small team of school physicians, optometrists, and medical support staff who work together with LAUSD nurse practitioners and other Student Health and Human Services staff to provide needed health care and support to students who have no access to a regular doctor.

Programs
In addition to direct services in schools and school-based health centers, SMSMP provides:
- Referrals for diagnosis and treatment of medical, dental, and mental health issues
- Referrals for related services such as WIC, health insurance enrollment, local community health resources, and health education resources
- Policy and program direction for the entire school District

Services
The following services are available free of charge at LAUSD-operated health clinics to eligible LAUSD students and their siblings ages 3-18 who do not have health insurance or access to a regular doctor:
- Complete Physical Examinations
- Immunizations
- Nutrition Assessments
- Oral Health Assessments
- School Entry Exams
- Sports Physicals
- TB Testing
- Vision Screenings

Health Clinics
At LAUSD-operated health clinics, school physicians and nurse practitioners provide preventive health assessments and preventive health-related services to eligible children and teens.

Each year SMSMP provides over 5000 health exams at schools, to low-income children and youth.

Vision Clinics
SMSMP provides part-time optometrists and ophthalmologists in addition to some of the support staff for the PTA vision clinics.

Approximately 5,500 students are seen annually for optical services; eyeglasses are dispensed on site.