

# VUMC Terminology

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VUMC	Encompasses all aspects and missions <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Main Campus clinical programs (hospitals, clinics)</li><li>Off-campus clinical programs (clinics and hospital-based facilities)</li><li>Regional Hospitals and regional ambulatory sites</li><li>Academic Enterprise (research and training)</li></ul>	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 <sup>st</sup> Avenue campus (VUH, Monroe Carell, TVC and all ambulatory programs, Vanderbilt Psychiatric Hospital, Vanderbilt Stallworth Rehabilitation Hospital)	
VUH or Vanderbilt University Hospital	All Main Campus inpatient facilities for patients 18 and over, with the exception of VPH and Vanderbilt Stallworth Rehabilitation Hospital. VUH also treats specially approved pediatric patients on a case-by-case basis or under long-standing arrangements with .	Do not use “VAH” or “VUAH” or include “Adult”.
Jim Ayers Tower	Vanderbilt University Hospital expansion located between 21 <sup>st</sup> 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 for formal references. Under certain circumstances where an abbreviation is necessary for internal reference use “Ayers 7,” “Ayers 8,” etc., to identify the floor.
Monroe Carell Jr. Children’s Hospital at Vanderbilt OR Monroe Carell OR MCC (new acronym as of Nov. 2025)	All children’s (patients under 18) inpatient and ambulatory programs and facilities, including both regional and main campus locations. In limited specialties, Monroe Carell continues to care for patients into young adulthood in select specialty clinics (e.g. spina bifida and oncology for certain cancers).	Do not use “MCJCHV,” “VCH,” or any other combination. However, “MCC” is now acceptable as of Nov. 2025 for uses listed below. 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” or “MCC” are 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), Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT) and Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS) services and the Psychiatric Assessment Service (PAS).	
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, Vanderbilt Wilson County Hospital, and Vanderbilt Clarksville Hospital.* [*Please note that the transaction for the hospital in Clarksville is anticipated to close on 1/31/26.]	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, and VCH.

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<b>Adult Ambulatory Division</b>	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.
<b>Select VUMC Hospital-Based Locations#</b>		
<b>Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital Vanderbilt Surgery and Clinics Murfreesboro^</b>	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."^
<b>Vanderbilt Surgery Center^</b>	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."
<b>Vanderbilt Health Belle Meade^</b>	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."^
<b>Vanderbilt Surgery Center One Hundred Oaks^</b>	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."^
<b>Vanderbilt Health Hendersonville</b>	Hospital-based facility located at 129 Anderson Lane North, Hendersonville, TN 37075.	Use the name as listed.
<b>Vanderbilt Health Pleasant View</b>	Hospital-based facility located at 6536 Highway 41A, Pleasant View, TN 37146.	Use the name as listed.
<b>Vanderbilt Emergency Sango</b>	Hospital-based facility, which is tied to Vanderbilt Clarksville Hospital, is located at 1325 Highway 76, Clarksville, TN 37043. <i>(Please note that the transaction for this hospital is anticipated to close on 1/31/26.)</i>	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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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.	
VCH	Clarksville Health System, LLC, d/b/a* Vanderbilt Clarksville Hospital - Formed to own and operate a hospital in Clarksville, Tennessee. <i>(Please note that the transaction for this hospital is anticipated to close on 1/31/26.)</i>	
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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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.	
<b>Other Entities</b>		
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, and Radiology.	
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	