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Acronym or Term	Defined as:	When to use/ Terms to avoid
Health System, Central Campus, and Legal Entity Reference		
Vanderbilt Health	All clinical programs and facilities, Central Campus, Regional Hospitals and clinics, and academic enterprise (research and training), that are part of the health system**.** The term "Vanderbilt Health is the preferred term for publicly referring to the health system, including VUMC.	The term "Vanderbilt Health" is used to refer to the health system as a whole. For print materials, for both internal and external use, it is permissible to use "Vanderbilt Health" in the first use, and then "VH" in subsequent use. *Do not use "Vanderbilt Health" for contracts, policies, regulatory documents* (e.g. *licenses (hospital, CLIA, etc.), accreditations, certifications, permits, designations*) *or other circumstances intended to refer to a specific legal entity (i.e. VUMC, Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital, LLC, etc.)*
Vanderbilt Health 21st Avenue Campus or Central Campus	All clinical facilities/programs on 21st Avenue campus (VUH, Monroe Carell, TVC and all ambulatory programs, Vanderbilt Psychiatric Hospital, Vanderbilt Stallworth Rehabilitation Hospital).	As of November 2026, the use of "Central Campus" is preferred to "Main Campus."
Vanderbilt University Medical Center or VUMC	Refers to the legal parent entity atop the Vanderbilt Health organization chart which owns: • Central Campus clinical programs (hospitals, clinics) • Off-campus clinical programs (clinics and hospital-based facilities) • Regional Hospitals and regional ambulatory sites (including hospital-based facilities) • Academic enterprise (research and training) *Hospital License Name for Central Campus: "Vanderbilt University Medical Center," which includes VUH, MCC and VPH and their associated hospital-based facilities.*	"Vanderbilt University Medical Center" is the name that should be used in contracts, policies, regulatory documents (e.g. licenses (hospital, CLIA, etc.), accreditations, certifications, permits, designations) and in other circumstances intended to refer only to the specific parent legal entity. *Do not use "VUMC" to signify "Central Campus" or to reference the health system as a whole (Vanderbilt Health).*
Hospitals and Jim Ayers Tower		
Jim Ayers Tower	Vanderbilt University Hospital expansion located between 21st Avenue South and Medical Center Drive on the Central Campus in Nashville.	*Do not use "Ayers Tower" or "JAT"* or *"the Tower."* Always use the full tower name for public and common references. Under certain circumstances where an abbreviation is necessary for internal reference only, it is acceptable to use "Ayers 7," "Ayers 8," etc., to identify the floor.
Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt or Monroe Carell or MCC	All children's (patients under 18) inpatient and ambulatory programs and facilities, including both regional and Central 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.* "MCC" is acceptable as of Nov. 2025 for uses listed below. For print/online materials for external use, including donors, regulators, 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.

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Monroe Carell (continued)	*Hospital License Name: Monroe Carell is included on the VUMC hospital license for Central Campus.*	**Sole Exception to the Rule:** eStar/Epic uses "VCH" to mean Monroe Carell. Systems with direct integration from eStar (e.g. Tecsys, and Kodiak RCM) do as well. Workday has as different designation for the facility ("OEMCJCHV" for the operating entity). These systems and internal dashboards are the only instances in which a different acronym is acceptable.
VBCH or Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital	Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital, LLC, d/b/a* Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital - Owns and operates a hospital in Shelbyville, Tennessee. VBCH is one of the Regional Hospitals. *Hospital License Name: "Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital" and includes associated hospital-based facilities.*	
Vanderbilt Clarksville Hospital or VCH	Clarksville Health System, LLC, d/b/a* Vanderbilt Clarksville Hospital - Owns and operates a hospital and FSED in Clarksville, Tennessee. VCH is one of the Regional Hospitals. *Hospital License Name: "Vanderbilt Clarksville Hospital" and includes associated hospital-based facilities.*	**Sole Exception to the Rule:** eStar/Epic uses "VHCH" to mean Vanderbilt Clarksville Hospital, and systems with direct integration from eStar (e.g. Tecsys, Strata, and Kodiak RCM) do as well. These systems and internal dashboards are the only instances in which the "VHCH" acronym is acceptable for this facility.
Vanderbilt Psychiatric Hospital or VPH	The 106-bed psychiatric hospital located on the Central Campus which 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). *Hospital License Name: VPH is included on the VUMC hospital license for Central Campus.*	
Vanderbilt Stallworth Rehabilitation Hospital or VSRH	Vanderbilt Stallworth Rehabilitation Hospital, LP - Owns and operates an acute care rehabilitation hospital in Nashville, Tennessee. VSRH is an affiliated entity that is partly owned by a joint venture partner. *Hospital License Name: "Vanderbilt Stallworth Rehabilitation Hospital."*	*Because VSRH is not 100% owned, do not refer to it as a wholly-owned entity.*
Vanderbilt Tullahoma-Harton Hospital or VTHH	Vanderbilt Coffee Hospital, LLC d/b/a* Vanderbilt Tullahoma-Harton Hospital - Formed to own and operate a hospital in Tullahoma, Tennessee. VTHH is one of the Regional Hospitals. *Hospital License Name: "Vanderbilt Tullahoma-Harton Hospital" and includes associated hospital-based facilities.*	

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Vanderbilt University Hospital or VUH	All Central 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 Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt (e.g. trauma patients over 16). *Hospital License Name: VUH is included on the VUMC hospital license for Central Campus.*	*Do not use "VAH" or "VUAH" or include the word "Adult".*
Vanderbilt Wilson County Hospital or VWCH	Vanderbilt Wilson County Hospital is a hospital operating in Lebanon, Tennessee and is one of the Regional Hospitals. From a corporate perspective, this hospital is part of the VUMC legal entity. *Hospital License Name: "Vanderbilt Wilson County Hospital" and includes associated hospital-based facilities.*	
Other Health System Terms		
Adult Ambulatory Division	Adult Ambulatory Division of Vanderbilt Health 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 only appropriate for internal dashboards and communications: AOD = Ambulatory Operations Davidson; AOR = Ambulatory Operations Regional; D2E = Direct to Employer.
Pediatric Ambulatory Division	Pediatric Ambulatory Division of Vanderbilt Health operates 30 outpatient clinics across three states and one surgery center in Middle Tennessee.	OK to use "MCC" for Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt; "OHO" for One Hundred Oaks; "VAV" for Village at Vanderbilt; and "MCE" for Medical Center East ,"ECL" for Edward Curd Lane, "VIP" for Vanderbilt Integrated Providers and "VIPMS" for VIP - MidSouth. The following term is only appropriate for internal dashboards and internal communications: DOT= Doctor's Office Tower.
Vanderbilt Behavioral Health or VBH	All behavioral health services at Vanderbilt Health, including VPH as identified above, inpatient consultation services, ambulatory services, and school-based services.	

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Regional Hospitals	Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital, Vanderbilt Tullahoma-Harton Hospital, Vanderbilt Wilson County Hospital, and Vanderbilt Clarksville Hospital. (Though financial reporting may differ between them, all of these facilities are "Regional Hospitals.")	*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.
Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center or VICC	Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center is a National Cancer Institute-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center with locations on Central Campus and beyond.	For print/online materials for external use, including donors and community, use full name in first use, and "Vanderbilt-Ingram" in subsequent use. For internal use, the term "VICC" is acceptable.
Select Hospital-Based Locations # (Alpha order)		
Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital Vanderbilt Surgery and Clinics Murfreesboro^	Hospital-based facility located at 2102 West Northfield Boulevard, Murfreesboro, TN 37129. All signage and documents must state that the facility is "an outpatient department of VUMC."	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 Emergency Sango	Hospital-based facility, which is tied to Vanderbilt Clarksville Hospital, is located at 1325 Highway 76, Clarksville, TN 37043. All signage and documents must state that the facility is "an outpatient department of Vanderbilt Clarksville Hospital."	Use the name as listed.
Vanderbilt Health Belle Meade^	Hospital-based facility located at 6002 Highway 100, Nashville, TN 37205. All signage and documents must state that the facility is "an outpatient department of VUMC."	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 Health Hendersonville	Hospital-based facility located at 129 Anderson Lane North, Hendersonville, TN 37075. All signage and documents must state that the facility is "an outpatient department of VUMC."	Use the name as listed.

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Vanderbilt Health Pleasant View	Hospital-based facility located at 6536 Highway 41A, Pleasant View, TN 37146. All signage and documents must state that the facility is "an outpatient department of VUMC."	Use the name as listed.
Vanderbilt Surgery Center^	Hospital-based facility located at 225 Bedford Way, Franklin, TN 37064. All signage and documents must state that the facility is "an outpatient department of VUMC."	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 Surgery Center One Hundred Oaks^	Hospital-based facility that is an outpatient department of VUMC and will be located at 719 Thompson Lane, Suite #28900, Nashville, TN 37204. All signage and documents must state that the facility is "an outpatient department of VUMC."	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."^
Select Affiliated Entity Acronyms		
CFC	DASCO Carefluent Connect, LLC - Organized to provide clinically integrated support services to patients after discharge for durable medical equipment, supplies and services.	
NLI	New Light Imaging, LLC - Provides management services to outpatient diagnostic imaging centers, including SHIC, the VIS locations, and VIS subsidiaries WIMG and OHOI, and is located in Nashville, Tennessee.	
OHOI	One Hundred Oaks Imaging, LLC - Owns and operates an outpatient diagnostic imaging center in Nashville.	
RHC	Retail Health Clinics, LLC - Formed to staff the Vanderbilt Walgreens Walk-in Clinics. RHC operates under the d/b/a* of Vanderbilt Health Clinics.	
RHL	Rehabilitation Hospital of Lebanon, LLC - Formed in 2025 to design, develop, and build a 60-bed rehabilitation hospital, and to initially operate 40 of those beds in Lebanon, Tennessee.	

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SHIC	Spring Hill Imaging, LLC - Owns and operates an outpatient diagnostic imaging facility in Spring Hill, Tennessee.	
SPHSC	Spring Hill Surgery Center, LLC - Owns and operates an ambulatory surgery center in the Spring Hill area of Maury County, Tennessee.	
VCPS	Clarksville Physician Services, LLC d/b/a* Vanderbilt Clarksville Physician Services - Operates a physician practice in Clarksville, TN. (f/k/a Clarksville Physician Services, GP)	
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.	
VHWMCCS	Vanderbilt Health and Williamson Medical Center Clinics and Services, LLC - Owns and operates walk-in clinics in Williamson County, which VUMC manages through a management agreement.	
VICCC	Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center Clarksville - Owns and operates a radiation oncology center in Clarksville, Tennessee. (Formerly known as VICCTHC or Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center at Tennova Healthcare – Clarksville.)	
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.	
VIPMS	VIP MidSouth, LLC d/b/a* VIP Children's Clinic – Owns and operates pediatric clinics in Gallatin, Springfield, Hendersonville, White House, Lafayette, Pleasant View and Portland, Tennessee.	

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VIS	Vanderbilt Imaging Services owns and operates outpatient diagnostic imaging centers in Hillsboro Village, Bellevue, and Midtown. VIS holds ownership interest in OHOI and WIMG.	
VMH	Vanderbilt Montgomery Holdings, LLC - Serves as a holding company for 100% of VUMC's ownership interest in VCH and VCPS in Clarksville, Tennessee.	
VMRO	Vanderbilt-Maury Radiation Oncology, LLC - Owns and operates a radiation oncology center in Spring Hill, Tennessee.	
VOC	Vanderbilt Option Care Infusion Services, LLC - Operates a respiratory therapy and home infusion business serving patients in middle Tennessee. Operates under the assumed name of Vanderbilt HC/Option Care IV Services.	
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.	
WIMG	Williamson Imaging, LLC - Provides diagnostic imaging services through one center located in the Cool Springs area of Williamson County, Tennessee. WIMG operates under the d/b/a Vanderbilt Imaging Services Cool Springs.	
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Shared Clinical Services Acronyms and 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	