

Vanderbilt Health Terminology

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Acronym or Term	Defined as:	When to use/ Terms to avoid
Vanderbilt Health	All clinical programs and facilities, Main Campus and Regional Hospitals, that are part of VUMC. The term “Vanderbilt Health” is equivalent to the term “VUMC” and as of February 2026 is the preferred term for publicly referring to VUMC.	The term “Vanderbilt Health” is preferable to using the term “VUMC” to refer to the health system. 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, however; they should be written using the appropriate legal entity (i.e. VUMC, Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital, LLC, etc.)
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)	VUMC is a legal entity that could be used in a contract, where appropriate. <i>Do not use “VUMC” to signify Main Campus only.</i>
Vanderbilt Health 21st Avenue Campus or 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	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 Monroe Carell Jr. Children’s Hospital at Vanderbilt (e.g. trauma patients over 16).	<i>Do not use “VAH” or “VUAH” or include “Adult”.</i>
Jim Ayers Tower	Vanderbilt University Hospital expansion located between 21 st Avenue South and Medical Center Drive on the Main Campus in Nashville.	<i>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 only use “Ayers 7,” “Ayers 8,” etc., to identify the floor.</i>
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 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).	<i>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.</i>

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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.	
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.
Regional Hospitals	Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital, Vanderbilt Tullahoma-Harton Hospital, Vanderbilt Wilson County Hospital, and Vanderbilt Clarksville Hospital.	<i>Do not use the term “the Regionals.”</i> 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	<p>Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center is a National Cancer Institute-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center committed to reducing cancer death and suffering through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pioneering research and team science • A team approach to innovative cancer treatment • Evidence-based prevention, education and community outreach • Comprehensive services to meet the unique physical, emotional, psychological and practical needs of cancer survivors after treatment, regardless of age at diagnosis, type of cancer or where they received their oncology care 	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.

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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.	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.	Use the name as listed.
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 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.
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 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.”^
	<i>#MCA comprehensive list of VUMC’s hospital-based locations (aka provider-based locations) is found here: https://www.vanderbilthealth.com/information/hospital-based-clinics</i>	<i>^ 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</i>

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CFC	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.	
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.	
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 - Owns and operates a hospital and FSED in Clarksville, 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)	
* d/b/a means “doing business as”		

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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.	
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.	
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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.	
VTHH	Vanderbilt Coffee Hospital, LLC d/b/a* Vanderbilt Tullahoma-Harton Hospital - Formed to own and operate a hospital in Tullahoma, 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 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	