Medical Malpractice insurance protects the University against civil proceedings brought against it for compensation attributable to a breach of reasonable care and skill in the provision of professional services resulting in death, bodily injury, mental injury, illness or disease.

The professional services of the University are defined as:

- Provision of on-campus medical services;
- Provision of University related consultancy services;
- Provision of advice relating to, and the conduct of, Research Projects;
- Supervision of student health practitioners solely in respect of the practical clinical work they perform as part of their respective courses as students of the University; and
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Human Research Projects

Human Research Projects is defined as any study or project approved by ANU’s Human Research Ethics Committee where there is treatment or testing being provided to/for/on humans for the purposes of a study or project.

Provided always that:

- the employees and/or students performing such treatment or testing are appropriately qualified to perform the tasks assigned to them or appropriately supervised by persons who are qualified
- Research Projects do not include any drugs, medicines, or medical devices that have not been approved by the Therapeutic Goods Administration
- A Research Project does not include a Clinical Drug Trial

Research projects are automatically covered.

Clinical or Drug Trials

A Clinical or Drug Trial is defined as an experiment conducted in humans in order to assess the effects, efficacy and/or safety of a medicine, medical device, or procedure/intervention that requires notification under the Clinical Trial Notification or Clinical Trial Exemption Schemes.

*Non-invasive clinical trials are covered under this policy. The insurance office needs to be notified on plans to undertake any form of clinical trial.*

Jurisdictional Limits

The policy provides worldwide cover except for the United States of America or Canada.

Claims

ANU Insurance Office and ANU Legal Office must be notified as soon as practical of any matter that may give rise to a claim. Failure to comply with this requirement may prejudice any potential insurance cover.