

SECTION: 5. Students

SUBJECT: Student Medical Amnesty Policy

Background: Student welfare is a primary concern at Lewis-Clark State College. All students are responsible for seeking medical assistance for fellow students when lives may be in danger due to alcohol and/or drug intoxication.

Point of Contact: Vice President for Student Affairs

Other LCSC offices directly involved with implementation of this policy, or significantly affected by the policy: Security, Residence Life, Student Counseling, Title IX, Human Resources

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PURPOSE:

Alcohol and drug overdose can cause serious and life threatening medical emergencies. LCSC students may encounter these types of emergencies while at LCSC. Due to fear of the consequences, students are often afraid to seek emergency assistance for fellow students in trouble. To encourage students to seek emergency care LCSC has implemented the Student Medical Amnesty Policy.

POLICY:

1. Student medical amnesty means students may avoid formal discipline under the LCSC Student Code of Conduct for alcohol or drug related violations for seeking medical assistance in an emergency situation, as well as for the student with the emergency.
 - A. This policy provides amnesty for possession and consumption of alcohol or drugs by a minor, unauthorized possession of alcohol or drugs on campus, or intoxication.
 - B. This policy also may apply in instances when students report sex-based discrimination, sexual harassment, and sexual misconduct involving students. Students who report information about sex-based discrimination, sexual harassment, or sexual misconduct involving other students will also follow the same guidelines as the amnesty policy on drug or alcohol possession or consumption in which they might have engaged in connection with the reported incident.

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- C. Amnesty may be granted to an LCSC student by the Vice President for Student Affairs for initiating emergency assistance.
 - 1) Following the emergency, students involved will meet with the Vice President for Student Affairs to determine amnesty.
 - 2) Students granted amnesty may be referred for counseling following the meeting with the Vice President for Student Affairs based on the nature and severity of the emergency situation in which the student was involved.
- 2. The Student Medical Amnesty policy is for currently enrolled LCSC students and does not protect students from federal, state or local laws.