

MEDICAL AMNESTY POLICY (MAP)

PURPOSE

The Medical Amnesty Policy (MAP) aims to reduce barriers to seeking help and to encourage all members to make responsible decisions in potentially serious or life-threatening situations for members, new members, guests and themselves. Chapters and/or individual members should always prioritize the health and well-being of themselves and others and should never be afraid to contact emergency services.

POLICY & PROCEDURE

The Medical Amnesty Policy empowers members to seek medical assistance for themselves and individuals who may be experiencing health-related complications from alcohol, hazing, assault, drugs, or other substances, including but not limited to injury, overdose, passing out, falling, self-harm or mental well-being.

In potentially serious or life-threatening situations, the following three step-process should be followed: taken:

1. CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY TO REPORT THE INCIDENT.

2. CONTINUE TO REMAIN WITH THE INDIVIDUAL(S) NEEDING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE, SO LONG AS IT IS SAFE TO DO SO.

3. COOPERATE WITH EMERGENCY OFFICIALS AND ANY SUBSEQUENT INVESTIGATION(S) BY THE UNIVERSITY AND THE INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY.

When the three-step process is followed, it allows the individual and/or chapter to do the right thing to help others and allows the individual and/or chapter to engage with the international fraternity for educational outcomes focused on future prevention.

This policy replaces the Good Samaritan Policy (2018) and was approved by the Board of Governors in October 2022.