

## Drug Prevention Program Resource Guide: A Substance Use & Abuse Awareness Program (Regulations for Drug-Free Schools & Campuses)

- Standards of Conduct
- Legal Sanctions (Local, State and Federal)
- Disciplinary Sanctions and Campus Policies
- Health Risks (Including Commonly Abused drugs)
- Drug and Alcohol Programs (Local Treatment Options)

For more information, contact the Office of Student Affairs or the Campus Safety and Security Manager. All inquiries are confidential.

This report is written according to guidelines outlined in Section 22: The Drug Free Schools and Communities Act Amendment of 1989 - Public Law 101-226, EDGAR Part 86, and Title IV Guidelines.

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## **Substance Use and Abuse Awareness and Prevention Program Certification Institutions of Higher Education**

In accordance with the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendment of 1989 (DFSCA) and the Department of Education regulations at 34 C.F.R. Part 86, Sherman College has adopted and implemented a drug prevention program and provides information on alcohol and drug awareness for its students and employees that includes the annual distribution of program information through the student affairs and human resources offices. The material is maintained for ongoing access via the online student learning platform in addition to the college's website for students and employees. Help and treatment options are published to the campus community via this document which is disseminated to all new incoming students and employees, and routinely to all previously existing campus members.

Sherman College of Chiropractic prohibits the use of alcohol and other drugs. The college will enforce federal, state and local laws, as well as its own alcohol and drug policies.

See:

Policy 8004 – Student Code of Conduct

Policy 8010 – Alcohol, Illegal Drug and Substance Restrictions

Policy 8013 – Student Tobacco

## I. Standards of Conduct for Employees and Students Regarding Drugs and Alcohol:

- A. The possession, use, or distribution of alcoholic beverages is forbidden on the premises of the college, except when approved by the president for special events. In such cases, the event organizer must obtain prior written consent from the college president or his or her designee.
- B. The possession, use, or distribution of illegal drugs or substances of any kind is forbidden on the premises of the college.
- C. The unlawful possession, use, manufacture, or distribution of illegal drugs or substances and alcohol on or off campus may result in immediate dismissal.
- D. Individuals and sponsoring groups are accountable for their choices and behavior. If alcohol or other drug violations occur, the following disciplinary systems may be utilized:
  - Processes that follow Policy 8004 Student Code of Conduct
  - College's Student Conduct Review Board
  - Legal prosecution
- E. An employee under contract may be dismissed before the end of a contract term for the unlawful possession, use, manufacture, or distribution of illegal drugs or substances or for teaching under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- F. Students, employees, and guests must adhere to federal, state, local, and college rules and regulations.

Refer to Policy 8010 (ALCOHOL, ILLEGAL DRUG AND SUBSTANCE RESTRICTIONS) for policy details and standards.

### II. Standards of Conduct for Students Regarding Tobacco Use:

A tobacco-free environment helps create a safe and healthy campus environment. Smoking and secondhand smoke are both known to cause serious lung diseases, heart disease, and cancer. Sherman College recognizes the hazards caused by tobacco use and exposure to secondhand tobacco smoke. Our policy to provide a tobacco-free environment for employees, students and visitors was established to keep a safe and healthy learning and working environment. This policy covers the smoking of any tobacco product and the use of smokeless tobacco products, tobacco simulation products and e-cigarettes and it applies to students, faculty, staff and visitors.

Sherman College does not discriminate against employees or students based on the lawful use of tobacco products off campus. However, Sherman College prohibits the use of any tobacco and tobacco simulation product on campus grounds regardless of whether it is smoked, vaped, chewed, or held in the mouth. Any student or employee using tobacco or a tobacco simulation product on campus is subject to disciplinary action, including, but not limited to, a \$25 fine for each occurrence.

Refer to Policy 8013 (TOBACCO USE) for the above standard.

## **III. Legal Requirements:**

#### Alcohol

A. South Carolina Law: Individuals must be 21 years of age to purchase, possess, and/or consume alcohol. It is illegal to give or sell alcoholic beverages to people who are under 21 years of age or who are intoxicated.

B. Open Container Law: The State of South Carolina complies with the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21): The State of South Carolina has voluntarily submitted its open container law to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) for review and has been found to be in compliance with the provision in the federal highway bill, TEA-21.

Open Container (beer, wine): South Carolina law prohibits having an open container of beer or wine in a moving vehicle of any kind, except in the trunk or luggage compartment. If you are convicted of violating this law, you face a fine of up to \$100 or imprisonment for up to 30 days. (S.C. Code of Laws Section 61-4-110)

Open Container (liquor): South Carolina law prohibits having an open container of liquor in a moving vehicle of any kind, except in the trunk or luggage compartment. If you are convicted of violating this law, you face a fine of up to \$100 or imprisonment for up to 30 days. (S.C. Code of Laws Section 61-4-4020)

#### **Drugs**

South Carolina drug crimes are classified as either felonies or misdemeanors, depending upon the classification of the type of drug, the amount of the drug, and whether the person is charged with simple

possession, drug sale/distribution, or drug trafficking. Drug crimes may be prosecuted through both the South Carolina state court and the federal district court systems.

South Carolina drug crimes may be classified into one or more of the following common categories:

- Drug possession crimes where a defendant may be charged with actual possession or constructive possession (i.e. when the drugs are found in a motor vehicle, home, or some other area within the defendant's immediate grasp or vicinity).
- Drug possession with intent to distribute where the drugs found are of a sufficient quantity to presume that the defendant intended to sell or distribute them.
- Drug manufacturing cultivating, producing, preparing illegal drugs for distribution or personal use.
- Drug trafficking crimes where the drugs that were found weighed a certain amount.
- Drug conspiracy charges where there was an explicit or implicit agreement between two or more individuals to engage in a criminal enterprise, such as selling or distributing drugs in an open-air drug market.

C. Controlled substances/drugs: when it comes to South Carolina drug trafficking charges are based on the amount of a particular controlled substance in a defendant's possession, in accordance with the amounts specified in South Carolina Code of Laws §44-53-370(e). As a skilled attorney could clarify in further detail, anyone who possesses more than the following quantities of controlled substances may face charges for drug trafficking in South Carolina:

10 pounds of marijuana
10 grams of cocaine
4 grams of morphine or opium
15 grams of methaqualone (Quaaludes)
100 dosage units of LSD or MDMA
1 gram of flunitrazepam (Rohypnol)
50 milliliters of gamma-hydroxybutyric acid (Xyrem)

#### Varying Consequences for Different Substances

State law establishes different criminal penalties upon conviction for the trafficking of different controlled substances. For instance, trafficking ten pounds of marijuana allows for maximum penalties of one to 10 years in prison plus \$10,000 in fines while trafficking 10 grams of cocaine could lead to a prison sentence of three to 10 years as well as a maximum \$25,000 fine.

In addition to differentiating between diverse types of controlled substances, state law also prescribes different penalties based on the amount of a controlled substance that a defendant allegedly trafficked. Someone who traffics between 100 and 1,000 pounds of marijuana, for example, may face enhanced penalties of up to 25 years in prison and a \$25,000 fine, and the maximum fine for marijuana trafficking is \$200,000 for the trafficking of more than 10,000 pounds of marijuana and/or individual marijuana plants.

Finally, repeat convictions for drug trafficking allow for increased penalties upon conviction regardless of the amount of a controlled substance found in a defendant's possession. A drug trafficking attorney in

South Carolina could explain the possible repercussions of a particular charge during a private consultation.

D. Marijuana: Marijuana possession is a misdemeanor, which is less serious than a felony, but convicted individuals may still face harsh penalties. A marijuana possession conviction in South Carolina can result in up to 30 days or six months in jail depending on the total amount of weight of the drugs, a fine of up to \$1,000, or any combination. When individuals commit subsequent drug offenses, they can face even harsher penalties. A subsequent conviction for marijuana possession (which is also a misdemeanor) can result in up to one year in jail and/or a fine of up to \$2,000.

If the accused possesses under one ounce of marijuana, the potential penalties are 30 days in jail and/or a fine of between \$100 and \$200. A subsequent offense for possessing under one ounce of marijuana can result in one year of jail time and/or a fine of between \$200 and \$1,000. If the accused possesses over one ounce of marijuana, then the prosecutor may presume an intent to sell.

Referenced: South Carolina Criminal Law Dayne Phillips(<u>www.sccriminallaws.com</u>). Recorded on July 31, 2024.

## IV. SANCTIONS:

The Office of Student Affairs shall have discretion to exercise authority over conduct which occurs offcampus when incidents involve alleged misconduct such as:

- 1. Physical assault, threats of violence, or conduct that threatens health or safety of any person.
- 2. Possession or use of weapons, explosives, or destructive devices.
- 3. Manufacture, sale, or distribution of controlled substances.
- 4. Hate crimes.
- 5. Hazing.
- 6. Conduct which would constitute felony burglary, robbery, theft, etc.
- 7. Disorderly conduct.

Students found to be in violation of Sherman College's Code of Conduct Policy 8004, the Alcohol and Illegal Drug Restrictions Policy 8010 or the Student Tobacco Use Policy 8013 will be held accountable for their actions and will face disciplinary action and/or legal prosecution.

If students are found to be in violation of any of the following infractions, the following minimum sanctions are likely to occur:

- 1. Distribution of illegal drugs or substances: Dismissal
- 2. Possession, use, or manufacture of illegal drugs: Two (2) term suspension minimum/Dismissal
- 3. Providing patient care while under the influence of alcohol and/or illegal drugs or substances: Two (2) term suspension minimum/Dismissal
- 4. Being under the influence of alcohol and/or illegal drugs or substances while on campus: One (1) term suspension minimum/Dismissal
- 5. Use of tobacco or tobacco simulation products on campus: \$25 fine for each occurrence with the potential of having formal charges filed with Student Affairs under Code of Conduct violations.

Additional disciplinary measures up to suspension may occur resulting from violations of the student code of conduct.

Students may also be held accountable for allowing or soliciting violations of the standards of conduct by their guests. Campus disciplinary sanctions include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Written warnings
- 2. Probation
- 3. Fines
- 4. Suspension and/or dismissal
- 5. Banned from having guests on campus

See Policy 8004 – Student Code of Conduct

## **V. TITLE IV GUIDELINES:**

The college will adhere to the regulations/procedures as stated in the Title IV Guidelines concerning Financial Aid status and application.

The Title IV Guidelines are stated as follows:

The FAFSA Simplification Act helps promote equal access to higher education. The act removes the restriction on financial aid eligibility for those with drug convictions. In doing so, it recognizes the importance of education as a pathway to rehabilitation. Now, students with prior drug offenses can apply for aid without fearing automatic disqualification. This enables them to pursue their educational goals and build a brighter future.

The FAFSA Simplification Act removes federal barriers to financial aid. However, colleges may still penalize students with drug convictions. Some schools have their own policies about admission or participation in certain programs. Thus, while the federal government no longer considers drug convictions in financial aid decisions, students may still face consequences at the institutional level.

See: https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/eligibility/requirements/criminal-convictions

## **VI. POLICY UPDATE:**

The college will conduct a biennial review of the drug prevention program (on the even years) and/or policies (annually) to:

- 1. determine their effectiveness
- 2. implement necessary changes
- 3. ensure that disciplinary sanctions are consistently enforced

## VII. Health Risks Associated with the Use of Illicit Drugs and the Abuse of Alcohol:

A. Alcohol	Commonly Associated Health Risks
	a. Highly addictive
	b. Nervous system depressant
	c. Can cause organic brain damage
	d. Can cause liver damage (cirrhosis)
	e. Upsets fluid balance in the body and may
	cause impotency, malnutrition, high blood
	pressure
	g. heart disease hypertension and menstrual
	imbalance
	h. Excessive intake impairs the activity of white
	blood cells in fighting disease and is associated
	with it. an increased risk of cancer
	j. May cause alcoholic psychoses
	k. Idiosyncratic intoxication (low tolerance – acute reaction)
	1. Withdrawal delirium (Delirium tremens)
	m. Chronic alcoholic hallucinosis (auditory)
	n. Amnestic disorder ("Korsakoff's psychosis" – memory defect)
	o. Pregnant women, who drink heavily, are at
	higher risk for fetal alcohol spectrum disorders in
	offspring.
	p. Alcohol consumption is associated with
	increased risk of drowning and injuries from
	violence, falls and motor vehicle crashes.

B. Illicit Drugs	Commonly Associated Health Risks
The most common action of ALL DRUGS is their alteration of cell metabolism.	a. Highly addictive b. Nervous system depressant c. Can cause organic brain damage d. Can cause liver damage (cirrhosis) e. Upsets fluid balance in the body and may cause impotency, malnutrition, high blood pressure g. heart disease hypertension and menstrual imbalance h. Excessive intake impairs the activity of white blood cells in fighting disease and is associated with it. an increased risk of cancer j. May cause alcoholic psychoses k. Idiosyncratic intoxication (low tolerance – acute reaction) l. Withdrawal delirium (Delirium tremens) m. Chronic alcoholic hallucinosis (auditory) n. Amnestic disorder ("Korsakoff's psychosis" – memory defect) o. Pregnant women, who drink heavily, are at higher risk for fetal alcohol spectrum disorders in offspring. p. Alcohol consumption is associated with increased risk of drowning and injuries from violence, falls and motor vehicle crashes.

#### **Anabolic Steroids:**

No intoxication effects, hypertension, blood clotting and cholesterol changes, liver cysts and cancer, kidney cancer, hostility and aggression, acne, premature stoppage of growth, prostate cancer, reduced sperm production, shrunken testicles, breast enlargement or reduction, menstrual irregularities, development of beard, paranoia, and mood swings, swelling, premature balding

#### **Common steroids:**

Testosterone, trenbolone, oxymetholone, methandrostenolone, nandrolone, stanozolol, boldenone, and oxandrolone

**Street names:** Arnolds, Juice, Pumpers, Roids, Stackers, and Weight Gainers

#### Cannabinoids

Euphoria, slowed thinking and reaction time, confusion, hallucinations, paranoia, impaired balance and coordination, cough, frequent respiratory infections, impaired memory and learning, increased heart rate, anxiety, panic attacks, tolerance, addiction, damages reproductive organs in males and females

Common cannabinoids: Hashish, Marijuana

<u>Street names:</u> (Boom, Chronic, Gangster, Hash, Hash oil, Hemp Blunt, Dope, Ganja, Herb, Joint, Mary Jane, Reefer, Pot,)

#### **Depressants:**

Euphoria, reduced anxiety, feeling of wellbeing, lowered inhibitions, slowed pulse and breathing, lowered blood pressure, poor concentration, fatigue, confusion, impaired coordination, memory judgment; addiction; respiratory depression and arrest, death.

#### **Common depressants:**

<u>a. Barbiturates</u> (Amytal, Nembutal, Seconal, Phenobarbital; barbs, reds, phennies, yellows)

**Effects:** Sedation, drowsiness, depression, unusual excitement, fever, irritability, poor judgment, slurred speech, dizziness, life threatening, withdrawal

**<u>b. Benzodiazepines:</u>** (Ativan, Halcion, Librium, Valium, Xanax; candy, downers, sleeping pills)

**Effects:** Sedation, drowsiness, dizziness

<u>c. Flunitrazepam</u> (Rohypnol: Forget-me-pill, Mexican Valium, R2, Roche, Roofies, Roofinol, Date rape drug)

**Effects:** Visual and gastrointestinal disturbances, urinary retention, memory loss for the time under the drug.

<u>d. GHB</u> (Gamma-hydroxybutyrate: G, Georgia homeboy, Liquid Ecstasy, Grievous bodily harm)

**Effects:** Drowsiness, nausea/vomiting, headache, loss of consciousness, loss of reflexes, seizures, coma death

<u>e. Methaqualone</u> (Quaalude, Sopor, Parest; Ludes, Mandrex, Quad, Quay)

**Effects:** Euphoria, depression, poor reflexes, slurred speech, coma

**<u>f. Dextromethorphan:</u>** Dissociative effects distorted visual perceptions to complete dissociative effects,

Found in some cough and cold medicines: Robtripping, Rob, Triple C

#### **Dissociatives (Psychedelics)**

Detach from reality, increased heart rate and blood pressure, impaired motor function/memory loss; numbness; nausea/vomiting

<u>Ketamine</u> (Ketalar SV: Cat Valium, K, Special K, Vitamin K)

**Effects:** Delirium, depression, respiratory depression, and arrest, detached or floating

<u>PCP and analogs</u> (Phencyclidine: Angel dust, boat, hog, love boat, peace pill)

**Effects:** Possible decrease in blood pressure and heart rate, panic, aggression, violence/loss of appetite, depression, detached or floating

## **Hallucinogens**

Altered states of perception and feeling; nausea; persisting perception disorder(flashbacks)

<u>a. LSD</u> (Lysergic acid diethylamide;Acid, Blotter, Boomers, Cubes, Yellow Sunshines)

**Symptoms:** Increased body temperature, heart rate, blood pressure, loss of appetite,

sleeplessness, numbness, weakness, tremors, persistent mental disorders

**<u>b. Mescaline</u>** (Buttons, Cactus, Mesc, Peyote)

**Symptoms:** Increased body temperature, heart rate, blood pressure, loss of appetite, sleeplessness, numbness, weakness, tremors

**c. Psilocybin** (Mexican mushroom)

**Symptoms:** Nervousness, paranoia

#### **Inhalants**

Stimulation, loss of inhibition, headache, nausea, slurred speech, loss of motor coordination, wheezing, cramps, weight loss, muscle weakness, depression, memory

impairment, damage to cardiovascular and nervous systems, sudden death

<u>a. Solvents</u> (Paint thinners, Gasoline, Glues)

**<u>b. Gases</u>** (Butane, Propane, Aerosol propellants, Nitrous Oxide)

c. Nitrites (Isoamyl, Isobutyl, Cyclohexyl)

\*Laughing Gas, Poppers, Snappers, Whippets

#### **Opioids and Morphine Derivatives**

Pain relief, euphoria, drowsiness, nausea, constipation, confusion, sedation, respiratory depression and arrest, tolerance, addiction, unconsciousness, coma, death

<u>a. Codeine</u> (Empirin with Codeine, Fiorinal with Codeine, Robitussin with Codeine, Tylenol with Codeine: Cody, doors and floors, pancakes and syrup)

**Symptoms**: Less analgesia, sedation and respiratory depression than morphine

**b.** Fentanyl and fentanyl analogs
(Actiq, Durgesic: Apache, China Girl, China
White, dance fever, Friend, Jackpot, Murder 8,
TNT)

**Symptoms:** See above for opioids and morphine

<u>c. Heroin</u> (Diacetylmorphine; Brown sugar, Dope, H, Horse, Junk, Smack, White Horse)

**Symptoms:** Staggering gait, see above for opioids and morphine

<u>**d. Morphine</u>** (Roxanol, Duramorph: M, Miss Emma, Monkey, White stuff</u>

<u>e. Opium</u> (Laudanum, paregoric: Big O, Black stuff, Block, Gum, Hop)

**g.** Oxycodone HCL (OxyContin: Oxy, OC, Killer)

**h. Hydrocodone Bitartrate** (Vicodin: Vike, Watson-387)

**Symptoms:** See above for opioids and morphine.

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## I. Resources for Drug and Alcohol Education and Treatment

## On Campus Assistance:

1. Campus Counseling Services:

Counseling and referral assistance for alcohol or drug abuse are available through campus counseling services provided by Intrinsic Therapy, LLC. All counseling sessions are confidential. The counselors may be accessed by:

Emailing <u>campuscounseling@sherman.edu</u> or calling or texting 864-314-4537.

Students may also reach out to the following individuals with inquiries or direct assistance for resources.

- 2. Student Affairs ROwens@Sherman.edu
- 3. Campus Safety and Security KLikes@Sherman.edu

### **Off Campus Assistance:**

1.The Forrester Center (864) 582-7588 <a href="https://theforrestercenter.org/prevention/">https://theforrestercenter.org/prevention/</a> 129 Dillon Dr, Spartanburg, SC 29307

2.Behavior Health Group (BHG) 864.503.0207 https://www.bhgrecovery.com/locations/spartanburg 239 Access Rd, Spartanburg, SC 29303

3.Carolina Center for Behavioral Health 864-235-2335 www.thecarolinacenter.com 2700 E Phillips Rd, Greer, SC 29650

4. Recovery Centers of America (RCA) 1-800-RECOVERY

1-000-RECOVERT

help@recoverycoa.com

47 Fisherman Ln, Greenville, SC 29615

#### 5. FAVOR

864-385-7757 /FAVOR Helpline: 864-430-1802 <a href="https://favorupstate.org/about/favor-greenville/">https://favorupstate.org/about/favor-greenville/</a> 355 Woodruff Rd #303, Greenville, SC 29607

6. Narcotics Anonymous

800-828-5689

www.NA.org

Call or consult with the website to find local meeting locations.

7. Alcoholics Anonymous

(864)585-1930

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