




National University of Health Sciences General Policies

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POLICY STATEMENT

It is the intention of National University of Health Sciences (NUHS) to provide a healthy, comfortable, safe and productive work environment for all its employees, students and visitors. The University has therefore adopted this policy to protect the health and rights of all faculty, staff, students, administrators, volunteers, patients, vendors, and visitors.

NUHS maintains a smoke-free and vape-free campus. Effective December 28, 2015, smoking and vaping is prohibited on all University properties. Products include the use of cigarettes, cigars and cigarillos, pipes, and hookah-smoked products. Smoking cessation products, such as nicotine patches, nasal sprays that contain nicotine, and nicotine gums are permitted. Devices that simulate smoking through inhalation of vapor or aerosol from the device, including e-cigarettes, e-cigars, e-pipes, or vapor pens are prohibited on campus.

This smoke-free and vape-free policy covers all areas within University owned or operated buildings and grounds including, but not limited to: elevators, private offices, general office space, lounges, lobbies, classrooms, hallways, rest rooms, stairwells, the library, laboratories, parking lots, NUHS Whole Health Clinics, and university owned vehicles. In accordance with the residence hall agreement, no smoking or vaping is allowed in university residencies, including balconies and patios. The improper disposal of products from a private vehicle while on NUHS grounds is prohibited. Improper disposal includes littering, or any disposal that may create a fire or health hazard.

Procedure:

1. Violations should be reported to the Office of Human Resources or the Dean of Students.
2. Employees and students who wish to seek professional assistance for the purpose of smoking cessation may visit the NUHS Clinic for further information.