

DRUG AND ALCOHOL PREVENTION

THE COLLEGE'S POSITION DRUG USE

The College has adapted the following position, consistent with requirements of the new federal drug-free campus regulation and with federal, state and local law, with respect to drug use on campus. All students, employees and visitors are specifically under the influence of same, while on college property. An exception will be made at those functions for which permission to serve alcohol has been obtained through the proper channels and then only for those who are of legal drinking age. Offenders will be subject to legal and/or disciplinary reprimand or a requirement to complete a rehabilitation program up to suspension, expulsion or referral for prosecution.

HEALTH HAZARDS

Use of alcohol and illegal drugs is hazardous to your health. Alcohol, in small doses acts as a depressant and affects self-control. In large doses, it dulls sensation and impairs muscular coordination, memory and judgement. Prolonged use of alcohol is associated with brain damage, cancer, heart disease, liver damage, ulcers, gastritis, and damage to the adrenal and pituitary glands. Prolonged excessive drinking can shorten the life-span by ten to twelve years.

The health risks associated with the use of illegal drugs include slowed reactions, distortion of reality, flashbacks, hallucinations, lesions, infection, malnutrition, physical dependency, convulsions, respiratory paralysis, heart problems, coma and death.

LEGAL SANCTIONS

The use, possession or distribution of alcohol by minors (in the state of Michigan, anyone under 21) is a legal offense punishable by fines and imprisonment. For individual of any age, distribution of alcohol to minors and certain behaviors resulting from alcohol consumption, such as drunk driving, are likewise offenses punishable by law.

The use, possessions or distribution of illegal drugs is a federal offense. Possession is punishable by fines up to \$5,000 and up to two years imprisonment, while distribution is punishable by fines of up to \$25,000 and up to 15 year imprisonment.

There are drug or alcohol counseling, treatment and rehabilitation facilities available in our area where you can seek advice and treatment. The yellow pages of the local telephone book is an excellent source. Look under the heading "Drug Abuse & Addition- Information and Treatment."

There are national organizations you can contact for help. The Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Hotline is open 24 hours, 1-800-252-6465. The Cocaine Hotline, 1-800-444-9999 is open 24 hours a day. The National Institute on Drug Abuse Hotline is available 8:00am/2:00am, Monday through Friday and 11:00 am/2:00 am, on weekends, 1-800-662-4357.

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Office of Substance Abuse Services
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P.O. Box 30195
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