

SALISBURY UNIVERSITY

V-10.00 HEROIN AND OPIOID ADDICTION AND PREVENTION POLICY

I. POLICY STATEMENT

Under the leadership and direction of the Student Affairs Division, Salisbury University (“SU”) shall implement training and related educational programs to promote awareness, prevention, and support related to heroin and opioid addiction and shall report its activities to the Maryland Higher Education Commission annually.

II. PURPOSE

Consistent with its “SU Cares” ethos, SU strives to provide a healthy, safe, and drug-free environment for all employees, students, and visitors. SU also recognizes the health care and safety risks associated with heroin and opioid abuse in Wicomico County, the State of Maryland, and nationwide. In accordance with Md. Code Ann., Educ. §11-1201 – 11-1204 and in alignment with the Start Talking Maryland Act as well as other key SU and University System of Maryland policies, this policy and its corresponding procedures are designed to address awareness, prevention, and support.

III. DEFINITIONS

“**Training**” means any structured or organized activity with content designed to educate participants on issues related to heroin and opioid addiction and prevention. Training may include, for example, workshops, orientations, class presentations, residence hall presentations, and virtual programming.

IV. PROCEDURES

1. The University will require incoming full-time students to participate in an in-person heroin and opioid addiction and prevention awareness training. If in-person training is not practical as determined by the Office of Student Affairs, virtual heroin and opioid addiction and prevention awareness training will be provided.
2. The University will require the distribution of resource materials that alert and educate incoming part-time students on heroin and opioid addiction and prevention.
3. The University will obtain and secure naloxone or other overdose-reversing medication in secure campus locations for emergency situations.
4. The University will require training for designated SU Police, Student Health Center staff, and/or other appropriate personnel on a) how to recognize the symptoms of opioid overdose, b) procedures for administering naloxone (or other

overdose-reversing medication), and c) proper follow-up procedures in the event of a suspected opioid overdose.

5. The University will report to the Maryland Higher Education Commission, on or before October 1 of each year, regarding each incident that required the use of naloxone or other overdose-reversing medication.
6. Student Affairs personnel will collaborate with SU Police, shared governance bodies, and other entities as appropriate to implement this policy.
7. The Office of Human Resources will serve as a resource for faculty and staff seeking information or referral.

V. RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT

The Student Affairs Division shall be the responsible department. The Vice President of Student Affairs shall be the responsible executive. The Associate Vice President of Student Affairs shall be responsible for annual oversight and reporting.

Approved by: Executive Staff
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