POLICY 5300

STUDENT HEALTH OFFICE

Policy Category: Students

Area of Administrative Responsibility: Student Health Office

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Nassau Community College recognizes that good student health is vital to successful learning and acknowledges its responsibility to protect and foster a safe and healthful environment for all of its students. The College is responsible for preserving the overall health, safety, and welfare of the Nassau Community College Campus and community. The Purpose of this policy is to set out the immunization requirements for College students and to outline the responsibilities of the Student Health Office in ensur

SCOPE

This policy is binding on all College students.

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A. Confidentiality: Student Health Office maintains a strict policy on confidentiality, in compliance with federal and New York State laws, to safeguard the privacy and security of student health records. All student records pertaining to health maintained by the College shall be kept confidential in accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

B. Immunization Requirements:

New York State law requires that students born on or after January 1, 1957, enrolled for six or more credits

complying with requirements set out herein. However, the College may extend the 30-day period to 60 days if a student can show good faith effort to comply with requirements listed.

D. SUNY COVID-19 Vaccination Policy:

As per the State University of New York (SUNY) and New York State, the COVID-19 Vaccine Policy requires all students who will have a physical presence on campus to provide, at minimum, the initial course of COVID-19 vaccinations. Students are considered fully vaccinated for the initial course of vaccination: (1) two weeks after receiving the second dose in a two COVID-19 vaccine series or (2) two weeks after

Any non-compliance with any SUNY or NCC COVID-19 policies and protocols will be handled through the Campus Code of Conduct for students.

F. Emergency Care:

The College shall provide emergency care for students in accidental or unexpected medical situations. The College will include in its emergency plan a protocol for responding to health care emergencies, including but not limited to anaphylaxis and concussions. To the extent possible and as long as emergency contact information is available, parents/guardians will be notified of any emergency medical situation as soon as is practicable.

Signed consent by a parent/guardian is required if the student needs emergency care, treatment, or first aid.

G. Communicable Diseases:

It is the responsibility of the College to provide all students with a safe and healthy academic environment. To meet this responsibility, it is sometimes necessary to exclude from attendance students with contagious and infectious diseases. Whenever students

I. Use of Automated External Defibrillators:

The College recognizes that the use and deployment of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) in emergencies may reduce the number of deaths associated with sudden cardiac arrest. The College has created a Public Access Defibrillation Program (PAD Program) and has authorized its Emergency Health Care Provider (EHCP) to develop procedures on the handling of sudden cardiac arrest in students, staff and other members of the College community. The use of AEDs is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The PAD Program shall be administered in compliance with Section 3000-B of the New York State Public Health Law and New York State Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services Policy Statement 98-10, as amended, tit
- 2. The College has entered into a collaborative agreement with a qualified EHCP, who is knowledgeable and experienced in emergency cardiac care.
- 3. The collaborative agreement with the EHCP will include the following provisions, at a minimum:
 - a. Written practice protocols for the use of the AED(s).
 - b. Written policies and procedures which:
 - i. Provide training requirements for AED users;
 - ii. Require the immediate calling of 911 emergency services;
 - iii. Require ready identification of the location of the AED units;
 - iv. Provide for regular maintenance procedures of the AED units which meet or
 - v. Detail documentation requirements;s on

J. Administration of Naloxone (Narcan):

- 1. Rates of death from drug intoxication or a drug overdose have risen dramatically in the United States. Opioid overdose kills thousands of Americans every year. College students are a high-risk population for drug misuse and combination drug use. Opioids are present in the majority of drug overdoses. Opioids cause death by inducing fatal respiratory depression which can easily be reversed by administering an opioid such as naloxone. Naloxone is an opioid antagonist (blocker) which rapidly counteracts the effects of opioids and has saved countless lives. Naloxone is not a controlled substance.
- 2. The utilization and administration of naloxone by trained College employees has a goal of reducing campus fatalities from opioid-related overdoses and exposures.
- 3. Overdose response training is required for College employees who may be called upon to serve as overdose responders in order to ensure that they can identify common symptoms of an opioid overdose and administer Narcan nasal spray. Narcan will be administered by a trained NCC Public Safety Officer or by NCC Nursing staff when there is reasonable belief that a person is suffering from an opioid overdose.
- 4. The College shall develop procedures for administration of Narcan, which will be updated as needed in order to ensure that all current guidelines and health and safety practices are adhered to.

K. Concussion Management:

- 1. Nassau Community College is committed to ensuring the health and safety of its student-athlete Health and Physical Education programs. The College is committed to preventing student injuries, and properly responding to such injuries when they do occur. The College recognizes that concussions are common in certain contact, high-speed or collision sports. A concussion is a mild traumatic brain injury. Concussion occurs when normal brain functioning is disrupted by a blow or jolt to the head.
- 2. In order to assure proper management of concussions, the College shall develop procedures for properly responding to concussion incidents among College students. The procedures will cover safety protocols, creation and membership of a Concussion Management Team, concussion training, provision of medical care, pre-participation assessment, as well as protocols for safe return to activity following a concussion.