Chancellor’s Memorandum
CM-58 – Tobacco Use Policy

To: Vice Chancellors, Deans, Administrative Staff, Department Heads, and Students.

From: LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans Chancellor

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Policy

All faculty, students, and staff are requested to remind others that our buildings and grounds are tobacco free.

Visitors as well as our employees and students are expected to adhere to this policy. Anyone not complying should be told in a polite and courteous manner that no tobacco use is allowed on the premises. University Police will also be available to enforce the new policy in a courteous but firm manner.

Definition

Tobacco: any and all forms of tobacco, including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, pipes, water pipes (hookah), bidis, kreteks, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco, electronic cigarettes, and/or any other product which is used to deliver nicotine by means of smoke or vapor. This does not include any FDA-approved product or device intended to assist the user to stop smoking or using tobacco products.

Procedure

Employees may request that an individual not use tobacco, but if that person refuses to comply, please notify your supervisor or Human Resources with the employee’s name or University Police if the person is a visitor. For employees, failure to comply with the new policy may result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination. University Police will escort non-compliant visitors off the premises.

LSUHSC, in collaboration with the Tobacco Control Initiative, has set-up an in-house phone line to provide information on available resources for our faculty, students and staff. Further information is available at 1-800-QUIT-NOW (7848-669).

Signed: Larry H. Hollier, M.D., Chancellor