

## THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK MEDICAL AMNESTY/GOOD SAMARITAN POLICY

- I. The City University of New York's ("CUNY's") Medical Amnesty/Good Samaritan Policy's purpose is to encourage students to seek medical assistance related to drug and alcohol use without fear of being disciplined for such use. Because the use of drugs or alcohol may be life-threatening, CUNY wishes to reduce barriers to seeking and receiving medical help in those situations. In addition, CUNY wishes to encourage students who may be the victims of or witnesses to sexual harassment or sexual violence while under the influence of drugs or alcohol to seek medical assistance and to report that sexual assault. Toward that end, CUNY's Policy is that students who seek medical assistance either for themselves or others will not be subject to discipline under the circumstances described below.
  
- II. Students who call for medical assistance for themselves or others and/or who receive medical assistance as a result of a call will not be disciplined for the consumption of alcohol (either if underage or if consumed in a CUNY-owned or operated building/facility where alcohol consumption is prohibited) or drugs under certain conditions. First, the students involved must agree to timely completion of assigned alcohol and/or drug education activities, assessment, and/or treatment, to be determined by the individual campuses or units of CUNY with which the students are affiliated. Second, there must be no other violations that ordinarily would subject the student to disciplinary action. Other violations that would invoke discipline include but are not limited to (i) unlawful distribution of alcohol or drugs; (ii) sexual assault; (iii) sexual harassment; (iv) causing or threatening physical harm; (v) causing damage to property; (vi) hazing.

York's Good Samaritan Law, see N.Y. Public Health L. §§ 3000-a, 3000-b, 3013 (McKinney 2000); see also [NY State Assembly website database of law](#).