

BROOKDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE COLLEGE POLICY

2.6000 Smoke Free College Environment

I. Title of Policy

Smoke Free College Environment

II. Objective of Policy

To authorize the President to develop a College Regulation to comply with all federal, state, county, and local laws concerning a smoke free environment(s); and to act upon the wishes of the College Governance Forum, and to protect, preserve, and foster the health and safety of all persons.

III. Authority

Chapter 320, Public Laws of 1981 as amended by chapter 96 of the Public Laws of 1989 and codified at NJSA 26:3D-17, L. 1989, c. 96, Section 1, also, the NJ Smoke Free Air Act, P.L. 2005, c. 383, approved January 15, 2006, effective March 16, 2006.

IV. Policy Statement

The New Jersey Legislature has found that tobacco and tobacco smoke is a substantial health hazard to both the smoking and nonsmoking public. The New Jersey Department of Health has found overwhelming scientific and medical evidence that tobacco and tobacco smoke is detrimental to the health, welfare, and comfort of smokers and nonsmokers alike and that regulating if, when, and where persons may smoke and/or use tobacco products is necessary for the public health. The College Forum has recommended compliance with the State's public laws concerning a smoke-free workplace and henceforth, all tobacco products, including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, pipes, electronic cigarettes, chewing tobacco, and/or snuff will be banned for use or consumption at all Brookdale Community College locations and in all College vehicles.

The purpose of this Policy is to protect the health of our students, employees, and members of the public by eliminating from College-owned and/or leased buildings, vehicles and/or property, all smoking, tobacco use, and the sale of tobacco products.

V. Responsibility for Implementation

President

Approved: Board of Trustees 5/27/82

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