

# **MEDICAL AMNESTY PROGRAM (MAP)**

## **University of California, San Diego**

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Medical Amnesty Program (MAP) is to reduce the barriers to seeking medical assistance for emergencies involving alcohol, controlled substances, and communicable diseases with public health implications, while promoting community wellbeing and safety. MAP is a part of UC San Diego's Bystander Intervention Model, which aims to address the well-being of all Students by reducing relationship violence, stalking, sexual assault, and the overconsumption and/or misuse of alcohol and controlled substances.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Students and Student Organizations will not be subject to the formal student conduct process if either of the following scenarios apply:

#### **I. Medical Emergencies**

- There is a medical emergency involving alcohol and/or controlled substances and a Student or Student Organization seeks help by initiating contact with a University or Public Official, such as a House Advisor/Resident Advisor, Residential Security Officer, Police Officer, Staff Member, etc.;
- No other major University Standards of Conduct (e.g. disorderly conduct, distribution of controlled substances, hazing, assault/battery, vandalism, etc.) were violated during the same incident by the Student or Student Organization eligible for Medical Amnesty; AND
- MAP has not already been applied to a case for the Student or Student Organization within a calendar year of the incident.

#### **II. Public Health Related Incidents (e.g. COVID-19)**

- There is an incident, including, but not limited to parties, gatherings, public service events and programs, involving a violation of Health and Safety Requirements for Public Health Emergencies by a Student or Student Organization.
- A Student or Student Organization communicates this violation in good faith either while receiving medical treatment or during the contact tracing process.
- The Student or Student Organization did not intentionally or recklessly expose others during the incident (e.g. knowingly infecting another person, recklessly disregarding Health and Safety Requirements, prior knowledge of an involved student's positive status, etc.); AND
- No other major University Standards of Conduct (e.g. disorderly conduct, distribution of controlled substances, hazing, assault/battery, vandalism, etc.) were violated

during the same incident by the Student or Student Organization eligible for Medical Amnesty.

Students participating as a complainant or witness in an investigation under the Sexual Violence and Sexual Harassment (SVSH) Policy will generally not be subject to the formal student conduct process for related violations at or near the time of the incident. This also applies to Students participating in an Alternative Resolution process under the SVSH Policy.

### **PROTOCOL**

Students and Student Organizations whose incidents are addressed under MAP will meet with a Student Conduct Officer to discuss their participation in an appropriate educational sanction (e.g. CARRS, PDMAR Workshop, etc.) but will not be subject to the formal student conduct process or receive administrative sanctions (e.g. Formal Warning, Probation, etc.).

- Students will meet with their Dean of Student Affairs or designee, or with Office of Student Conduct staff.
- Student Organizations' Principal Members will meet with the Executive Director for the Center for Student Involvement or their designee.

Students from the **School of Medicine** and **Skaggs School of Pharmacy** are eligible for MAP. However, they may also be subject to discipline by their school for violating the school's professional conduct policies.

MAP does not prevent those required by local, state or federal law from reporting, charging or taking other action related to a Student or non-affiliate (e.g. minor in possession citation by police, mandated reporting under Sexual Violence and Sexual Harassment Policy, public health contact tracing, etc.).

### **RECORD KEEPING**

MAP records will be maintained by the Office of Student Conduct for seven years from the end of the academic year in which the incident was resolved. They typically include any related reports, communication, and/or documentation associated with the incident.

MAP records will not be reported out as part of any conduct record checks for Students and Student Organizations. However, they may be considered when determining sanctions for any future student conduct violations committed by Students and Student Organizations. MAP incidents involving Student Organizations will be included on the University's Student [Organization Case Status Summary page](#).