

# **Oakland University PSYCHOLOGICAL EMERGENCY PROCEDURES FOR THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY**

## **THE DEAN OF STUDENTS SHALL BE NOTIFIED AT ALL TIMES**

### **I. IRRATIONAL, UNCONTROLLABLE OR DESTRUCTIVE BEHAVIOR THAT IS A THREAT TO SELF AND/OR OTHERS**

- Any situation in which a student appears out of touch with reality (i.e., disorganized speech, thoughts, behaviors, hallucinations)

**Faculty/Staff response:**

- Contact OU Police **immediately**
  - ✓ OU Police will decide the need for medical treatment
  - ✓ OU Police will arrange for transportation to the nearest medical facility if necessary
- Contact the Dean of Students **immediately**
- Notify department chair or immediate supervisor

### **II. SUICIDE ATTEMPTS, GESTURES, OR THREATS**

- A suicide attempt or gesture is any situation in which a student tries to physically harm him/herself with the intention to kill him/herself
- A threat is any situation in which a student verbalizes his/her intentions to kill him/herself

**Faculty/Staff response:**

- Contact Oakland University Police Department (OU Police) **immediately**
  - ✓ OU Police will decide the need for medical treatment
  - ✓ OU Police will arrange for transportation to the nearest medical facility if necessary
- Contact the Dean of Students **immediately**
- Notify department chair or immediate supervisor

### **III. DEPRESSED OR UNUSUALLY AGITATED INDIVIDUALS**

- Any situation in which a student demonstrates feelings of extreme anxiety, sadness, hopelessness, worthlessness, loss of interest, inconsistent class attendance, decline in hygiene, etc.

#### **Faculty/Staff response:**

- Contact the Dean of Students **immediately** for consultation

### **FAMILY NOTIFICATION GUIDELINES**

- Family (i.e., parents or legal guardian) may only be called by the Dean of Students or Assistant Dean of Students
- The Dean or Assistant Dean will inform the family of university policy regarding psychological emergencies

### **MEDICAL ADMINISTRATIVE WITHDRAWAL**

- A medical administrative withdrawal may be invoked if the student is unwilling or unable to request a voluntary withdrawal or if the Dean of Students deems it necessary to protect the health and safety of the student or others
- An administrative decision regarding the student's ability to remain enrolled may be made by the Dean of Students based on the following:
  - ✓ Consultation with representative(s) from the Graham Counseling Center
  - ✓ Consultation with representative(s) from the Oakland University Police
- Any decision must consider not only the psychological stability of the student, but also the broader emotional impact on members of the campus community

### **RE-ENROLLMENT PROCESS**

- Students who have received a medical administrative withdrawal must contact the Dean of Students Office to complete the re-enrollment request process. This process is outlined in the Oakland University Student Code of Conduct

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

### **Dean of Students Office**

From campus phones:

3352

From cell phones:

(248) 370-3352

### **Vice President for Student Affairs:**

From campus phones:

4200

From cell phones:

248-370-4200

### **OU Police Emergencies**

From campus phones:

911

From cell phones:

248-370-3333

### **OU Police Non-Emergencies**

From campus phones:

3331

From cell phones:

248-370-3331

FOR HEARING IMPAIRED:

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