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2016-2017 Annual Disclosure
Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security (Clery Act)
Annual Security Report
Alcohol & Substance Abuse Policy
Student Rights under FERPA
(The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act)

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CAMPUS CRIME WATCH

It's your campus - Protect it!

A truly safe campus can only be achieved through the cooperation of students, faculty and staff. As a member of the Ross University School of Medicine (RUSM) community, it is your responsibility to report a crime, suspicious activity or other emergencies on campus to the appropriate school official. Should you become a witness to or victim of a crime, immediately report the incident to local law enforcement officials, the Student Services office, or to the Dean of Campus Operations / Incident Commander. All crimes will be investigated and when appropriate, brought to the attention of the Student Affairs office for disciplinary hearings.

Purpose of the Annual Disclosure Report

RUSM prepares this report to comply with the *Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security and Crime Statistics Act*. The full text of this document can also be found on the <http://www.rossu.edu/medical-school/Student-Consumer-info.cfm> or by visiting your local campus operations office. This report was prepared with the assistance of local law enforcement agencies. Campus crime, arrest and referral statistics include those that were reported to local law enforcement and campus faculty and staff. This data may also include crimes that have occurred in private residences or businesses adjacent to the campus.

REPORTING CRIMES AND EMERGENCIES

When making your report of an incident you will be asked to provide the following information:

1. Description of the incident
2. Date, time and location of the incident
3. Description of the persons or vehicles involved in the incident
4. Detail regarding who was notified about the incident

Upon receipt of this report RUSM will determine the appropriate response, which could include disciplinary action against the offender(s), notification to local law enforcement, notification to the campus community or other public safety alternatives deemed appropriate given the circumstances. Please note that your identity may not be confidential when reporting an incident. RUSM does not have procedures for voluntary, confidential reporting of crimes.

Once each semester, RUSM will contact the Miramar / Broward police departments and property management to monitor and record crimes that occur within the designated area surrounding the campus that have been reported to the local Police.

All Emergencies –Dial 911

ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT

RUSM will, without delay, and taking into account the safety of the community, determine the content of the notification and initiate the SIREN notification system, unless issuing a notification will, in the professional judgment of responsible authorities, compromise efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

The Dean of Campus Operations will determine if there is a significant emergency or dangerous situation and what segment of the campus community will need to receive a notification.

RUSM will:

- Test emergency response and evacuation procedures on an annual basis
- Document each test, including the date, time, and whether it was announced or unannounced
- Publicize emergency response and evacuation procedures in conjunction with at least one test per calendar year

SIREN EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM

In the event of an emergency or a potentially dangerous threat to the campus or center arises, students, faculty and staff will receive timely notification via the SIREN system, on campus flyers, and/or email announcements. This includes any Clery Act crimes that are reported to the campus IC or local police and are considered to represent a serious or continuing threat to students, faculty, and staff. Please make sure to keep contact information updated in SIREN through the student portal at myross.rossu.edu for students and the DVG Commons at <https://adfsapps.devry.edu/adfs/ls/?wa=wsignin1.0&wtrealm=https://cas.devry.edu:443/cas&App=thedeivycommons.com> for faculty and staff.

Area Police/Fire Non-Emergency Numbers:

<u>County/City</u>	<u>Police</u>	<u>Fire/Paramedic</u>
Miramar Campus	(954) 602-4000	(954) 602-4801

CAMPUS ACCESS, FACILITY SECURITY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Miramar Campus

The Facilities department maintains the building and grounds with a concern for safety and security. Facilities staff inspect the facility regularly, promptly make repairs affecting safety and security hazards, and respond to reports of potential safety and security hazards such as broken windows, locks, etc. Students, faculty and staff can assist the Facilities staff by calling 954-499-9741 to report concerns. Additionally, the Facilities Manager routinely inspects the grounds and building to review lighting and other environmental concerns for safety.

There are fire alarms and pull stations throughout the facility that should be used only in the event of an emergency. If an emergency requires evacuation, there are signs clearly posted throughout the building indicating the best routes for evacuation.

The building is generally open from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. When the building is closed, it is locked and monitored by a security company. Access to classrooms and laboratories is limited to those enrolled in the courses meeting there. Access to on- and off-campus activities is limited to actively enrolled students and their guests. Students are responsible for the behavior of their guests at all times at campus-arranged events. RUSM reserves the right to require that RUSM identification cards be presented for admittance to certain locations and events. RUSM may also require students to register their guests with Student Services prior to attendance. Student, faculty and staff identification cards should be worn at all times.

The on duty security officer serves as an escort and on campus security Monday through Friday from 7:00a.m. to Midnight and 7:00 a.m. to 6:p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The uniformed guard must be called to respond to emergencies and can be contacted at (954) 242-3113. The security officer has the authority to ask questions and request identification at any time. Criminal incidents will be referred to local law enforcement.

All crime victims and witnesses are strongly encouraged to report incidents to both campus security and local police. Prompt reporting will ensure timely warning notices to the campus community and timely disclosure of crime statistics.

Students living in off-campus student housing facilities should check with the apartment landlord for specific safety and security measures at their complex. Although most complexes provide keys for individuals and restrict access to apartments, the level of additional security varies from complex to complex. Crimes committed at off-campus housing should be immediately reported to the Police department with jurisdiction over the complex and as soon as reasonably possible to the Student Services office.

The campus security department maintains a policy concerning the monitoring and recording, through local police departments, of criminal activity in which students engaged at off-campus locations of student organizations officially recognized by the institution, including student organizations with off-campus housing facilities.

SAFETY AND SECURITY

Campus safety and security is the shared responsibility of students, faculty and staff. To enhance student, faculty and staff awareness of their responsibility for personal safety, various information and services, including but not limited to, the following are provided throughout the year:

- Pamphlets on personal safety
- Emergency safety information
- Optional renters insurance information for housing students
- Safety/security displays in the library and/or student services office
- Use of institution publications as a forum for personal safety topics
- Institution housing inspections to consider security precautions
- Escort services provided by on-duty security officer

Safety and Security Tips

Personal

- Stay alert and tuned in to your surroundings.
- Communicate that you are calm, confident and know where you are going.
- Stay away from isolated areas.
- Stay on the part of sidewalks furthest away from shrubs, dark doorways and alleys.
- Walk with a companion whenever possible.
- Check the back seat before getting into a car. Keep doors locked while driving.
- Don't overload yourself with packages or wear shoes or clothing that restricts movement.
- Avoid displaying large amounts of cash or jewelry.
- Carry a purse close to your body. Carry a wallet in an inside coat or front trouser pocket.
- If you think someone is following you, abruptly switch directions and walk toward an open store, restaurant or lighted home.
- Don't hitchhike or pick up hitchhikers.
- Park in well-lighted areas.
- Avoid isolated bus stops at times when few other people are around.
- Do not reveal your name, phone number or address to strangers.
- Never admit that you are alone or that you will be away from home.
- Keep an eye on neighbors' homes or apartments while they are away and have them do the same for you.
- Keep your local police department's phone number next to your phone.

Residence

- Keep doors locked at all times
- Draw shades and curtains whether or not you are at home
- Keep money and jewelry locked in a safe place
- Leave a light on while you are away or use a timer
- Secure sliding glass doors with commercially available locks or a rigid wooden dowel in the track
- Don't hide spare keys in mailboxes, planters or under doormats
- Make a record of your valuables and keep it in a safe spot
- Don't leave a note that says you are not in
- Never prop doors open
- Keep ladders and tools in a locked area
- Have someone cut your lawn while you're on vacation

Vehicle

- Always lock your car and remove the keys. Make sure the windows are closed.
- Lock all valuables in the trunk
- Never leave an ID tag on your key ring
- Leave only the ignition key with parking attendants
- Park in well-lit areas

Office

- Keep your purse, wallet and other valuable items with you at all times or locked in a drawer or closet
- Never leave keys lying out
- Never leave change or cash on the desk or in a top drawer
- Notify security personnel of any suspicious persons or vehicles
- Lock doors when working after normal hours
- Report any broken or flickering lights, and doors that don't lock properly

CAMPUS CRIME STATISTICS ARE INCLUDED AT THE END OF THIS DOCUMENT.

SEXUAL OFFENSE AWARENESS

Definitions

Dating violence is defined as violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

Domestic violence is defined as felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim; by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common; by a person who is cohabitating with, or has cohabitated with, the victim as a spouse or intimate partner; by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred; by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.

Rape is defined as penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus, with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim.

Sexual assault is defined as any sexual act directed against another person, without consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent.

Stalking is defined as engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to: fear for his/her safety or the safety of others; or suffer substantial emotional distress.

Procedures to Follow After an Assault

Victims of a sexual assault or rape are strongly encouraged to report the incident in order to deter these assaults and to ensure that victims receive the services they need. Steps should be taken to help deal with the physical and emotional trauma:

1. Go to a safe place; go somewhere to receive emotional support.
2. Report a sexual assault on campus to the Dean of Student Affairs or local leadership.
3. Report the assault to the police. If requested, RUSM will assist with notification.
4. Preserve all physical evidence. Do not shower, bathe or douche and save the clothing worn.
5. Go to the hospital for medical care. Injuries should be treated and an examination completed to document and collect physical evidence of the assault. RUSM will assist with transportation if necessary.
6. Seek professional counseling. This can help in the recovery from the psychological effects of the assault.

Please refer to the *Resources for Victims of Sexual Assault* section of this document for a list of local resources that will provide immediate advice and assistance to victims of sexual assault or rape.

Victims of a sexual assault or rape may request a change in their academic arrangements by contacting their Dean of Academic Affairs. Changes will be made if feasible and reasonable to do so.

All reports filed with RUSM will remain confidential. Staff and faculty should report any on-campus sexual offenses to the Incident Commander / Human Resources and the proper authorities.

Disciplinary Action

Disciplinary procedures and sanctions as outlined in the Student Code of Conduct will be followed once charges are brought after an alleged sexual assault. Both the accuser and the accused are entitled to the same opportunities to have others present during a disciplinary hearing. Both the accuser, upon his/her written request, and the accused, of a crime of violence or a non-forcible sex offense, will be informed of the results of any disciplinary proceedings conducted as a result of an alleged sexual assault.

Sexual Offense Awareness

Additional information regarding RUSM's programs to prevent an incident, as well as the procedures to follow once an incident occurs (which includes a standard of evidence that will be used during any institutional conduct proceeding arising from such a report), of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking can be found in RUSM's RUSM Sex and Gender-Based Misconduct Response and Prevention Policy found at <http://www.rossu.edu/medical-school/Student-Consumer-info.cfm>.

RESOURCES FOR SEXUAL ASSAULTS

National Resources

Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network

1-800-656-HOPE (4673)

<https://www.rainn.org/get-help/national-sexual-assault-hotline>

National Child Abuse Hotline

1-800-422-4453

www.childhelp.org

National Domestic Violence Hotline

1-800-799-7233

1-800-787-3224 (TTY)

www.thehotline.org

National Teen Dating Abuse Lifeline

1-800-273-8255

www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org

Tribal Coalition Resources

Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence[external link]

425 Office Plaza Dr.

Tallahassee, FL 32301

Phone: 850-425-2749

Hotline: 1-800-500-1119

TDD Hotline 1-800-621-4202

Website: www.fcadv.org

Florida Council Against Sexual Violence[external link]

1820 E. Park Ave., Suite 100

Tallahassee, FL 32301

Phone: 850-297-2000

Hotline: 1-888-956-7273

Website: www.fcasv.org[external link]

State Domestic Violence Coalition Resources

Sexual Assault Treatment Center

Broward County
400 NW 4th Street
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Rape Hotline – Broward
954-765-RAPE 24 hour hotline

Rape Hotline – Broward
954-585-RAPE 24 hour hotline

Roxcy Bolton Rape Treatment Center
(305) 585-RAPE

Florida Council Against Sexual Violence
1-888-965-RAPE
www.fcasv.org

On-Line Resources For Victims of Sexual Assault Broward County
<http://www.broward.org/communitypartnerships/sexualassault/pages/default.aspx>

Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network (RAINN)
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<http://www.rainn.org>

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<http://www.rainn.org>

ON-LINE RESOURCES FOR VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT

<http://www.victimsofcrime.org/>

CAMPUS SEX CRIMES PREVENTION ACT

The Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act requires sex offenders already required to register in a State to provide notice, as required under State law, to each institution of higher education in that state at which the person is employed, carries on a vocation, or is a student. The act requires that state procedures ensure this registration information is promptly made available to law enforcement agencies with jurisdiction where the institutions of higher education are located and that it is entered into appropriate state records or data systems. These changes became effective two years after enactment of the law (2002).

This act amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require institutions of higher education to issue a statement, in addition to other disclosures required under that Act, advising the campus community where law enforcement agency information provided by a State concerning registered sex offenders may be obtained. This change takes effect two years after enactment (2002).

This act amends the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to clarify that nothing in that Act may be construed to prohibit an educational institution from disclosing information provided to the institution concerning registered sex offenders; requires the Secretary of Education to take appropriate steps to notify educational institutions that disclosure of this information is permitted.

To check registered sex offenders in a state see the State Sexual Offender Registry List section.

STATE SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRY LIST

ALABAMA

Website: <https://app.alea.gov/Community/wfSexOffenderSearch.aspx>

Phone Number: 334-353-1172

ALASKA

Website: <http://www.dps.alaska.gov/sorweb/sorweb.aspx>

Phone Number: 907-269-5767

ARIZONA

Website: http://www.azdps.gov/Services/Sex_Offender/

Phone Number: 602-255-0611

ARKANSAS

Website: <https://www.ark.org/offender-search/index.php>

Phone Number: 501-682-2222

CALIFORNIA

Website: <http://www.meganslaw.ca.gov/>

Phone Number: 916-227-4974

COLORADO

Website: <https://www.colorado.gov/apps/cdps/sor/>

Phone Number: 303-239-4222

CONNECTICUT

Website: http://www.communitynotification.com/cap_office_disclaimer.php?office=54567

Phone Number: 860-685-8060

DELAWARE

Website: <https://sexoffender.dsp.delaware.gov/>

Phone Number: 302-739-5882

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Website: <http://sexoffender.dc.gov/>

Phone Number: 202-727-4407

FLORIDA

Website: <http://offender.fdle.state.fl.us/offender/homepage.do;jsessionid=qWyVDt05vH59E4YOhZQievVg>

Phone Number: 888-357-7332

GEORGIA

Website: http://state.sor.gbi.ga.gov/sort_public/SearchOffender.aspx

Email Link: http://state.sor.gbi.ga.gov/sort_public/ContactUs.aspx

HAWAII

Website: <http://sexoffenders.ehawaii.gov/sexoffender/welcome.html>

Phone Number: 808-587-3350

IDAHO

Website: http://www.isp.idaho.gov/sor_id/

Phone Number: 208-884-7305

ILLINOIS

Website: <http://www.isp.state.il.us/sor/>

Phone Number: 217-785-0653

INDIANA

Website: <http://www.icrimewatch.net/indiana.php>

Phone Number: 317-356-3633

IOWA

Website: <http://www.iowasexoffender.com/>

Phone Number: 515-725-6050

KANSAS

Website: <http://www.accesskansas.org/kbi/ro.shtml>

Phone Number: 785-296-2841

KENTUCKY

Website: <http://kspsor.state.ky.us/>

Phone Number: 202-227-8700

LOUISIANA

Website: <http://www.lsp.org/socpr/default.html>

Phone Number: 800-858-0551

MAINE

Website: <http://sor.informe.org/cgi-bin/sor/index.pl>

Phone Number: 207-624-7270

MARYLAND

Website: <http://www.socem.info/>

Phone Number: 410-585-3600

MASSACHUSETTS

Website: <http://www.mass.gov/eopss/agencies/sorb/>

Phone Number: 978-740-6400

MICHIGAN

Website: http://www.communitynotification.com/cap_main.php?office=55242/

Phone Number: 517-241-1806

MINNESOTA

Website: <https://coms.doc.state.mn.us/Level3/>

Phone Number: 651-361-7340

MISSISSIPPI

Website: <http://state.sor.dps.ms.gov/>

Phone Number: 601-987-1540

MISSOURI

Website: <http://www.mshp.dps.mo.gov/CJ38/search.jsp>

Phone Number: 888-767-6747

MONTANA

Website: <https://app.doj.mt.gov/apps/svow/>

Phone Number: 406-444-7068

NEBRASKA

Website: <https://sor.nebraska.gov/>

Phone Number: 402-471-8647

NEVADA

Website: <http://www.nvsexoffenders.gov/>

Phone Number: 775-684-6262

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Website: <http://business.nh.gov/NSOR/search.aspx>

Phone Number: 800-735-2964

NEW JERSEY

Website: <http://www.njsp.org/sex-offender-registry/index.shtml>

Phone Number: 609-882-2000 X2369

NEW MEXICO

Website:

http://sheriffalerts.com/cap_office_disclaimer.php?office=55290&fwd=aHR0cDovL2NvbW11bml0eW5vdGlmaW5hdGlvbi5jb20vY2FwX21haW4ucGhwP29mZmljZT01NTI5MA==

Phone Number: 505-827-9297

NEW YORK

Website: http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/SomsSUBDirectory/search_index.jsp

Phone Number: 800-262-3257

NORTH CAROLINA

Website: <http://sexoffender.ncsbi.gov/>

Email Link: <http://sexoffender.ncsbi.gov/contact.aspx>

NORTH DAKOTA

Website: <http://www.sexoffender.nd.gov/>

Phone Number: 701-328-2210

OHIO

Website: http://www.communitynotification.com/cap_main.php?office=55149

Phone Number: 866-406-4534

OKLAHOMA

Website: <https://sors.doc.state.ok.us/svor/f?p=119:5:0::NO::>

Email Address: osor@doc.state.ok.us

OREGON

Website: <http://sexoffenders.oregon.gov/>

Phone Number: 503-378-3720

PENNSYLVANIA

Website: <http://www.pameganslaw.state.pa.us/>

Phone Number: 866-771-3170

PUERTO RICO

Website: <http://sor.cjis.pr.gov/>

Phone Number: 787-729-2121

RHODE ISLAND

Website: <http://www.paroleboard.ri.gov/sexoffender/agree.php>

Phone Number: 401-462-0905

SOUTH CAROLINA

Website: <http://scor.sled.sc.gov/ConditionsOfUse.aspx>

Phone Number: 803-896-2601

SOUTH DAKOTA

Website: <http://sor.sd.gov/>

Phone Number: 605-773-3331

TENNESSEE

Website: <http://www.tn.gov/tbi/topic/sex-offender-registry-search>

Phone Number: 888-837-4170

TEXAS

Website: <https://records.txdps.state.tx.us/SexOffender/PublicSite/Index.aspx>

Phone Number: 855-481-7070

UTAH

Website: http://www.communitynotification.com/cap_office_disclaimer.php?office=54438

Phone Number: 801-495-7700

VERMONT

Website: <http://vcic.vermont.gov/sor>

Phone Number: 802-241-5400

VIRGINIA

Website: <http://sex-offender.vsp.virginia.gov/sor/>

Phone Number: 804-674-2825

WASHINGTON

Website: <http://www.icrimewatch.net/washington.php>

Phone Number: 360-486-2419

WEST VIRGINIA

Website: <https://apps.wv.gov/StatePolice/SexOffender/>

Phone Number: 304-746-2133

WISCONSIN

Website: <http://offender.doc.state.wi.us/public/>

Phone Number: 608-240-5830

WYOMING

Website: http://www.communitynotification.com/cap_main.php?office=55699

Phone Number: 307-777-7181

ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

RUSM expects all members of its community; students, faculty and staff, to be familiar with and to abide by applicable state, federal and local laws regarding alcohol and drugs. RUSM forbids the use, possession, distribution or sale of drugs, except permitted substances when taken under a doctor's prescription and consistent with a doctor's instructions. RUSM specifically prohibits the use, possession, distribution or sale of medical marijuana on its premises or at any RUSM sponsored event. The unauthorized possession, distribution, sale or consumption of alcoholic beverages anywhere on RUSM property or at RUSM-sponsored events is also forbidden. Violation of state, federal or other local regulations with respect to illegal drugs or alcohol are subject to both criminal prosecution and campus disciplinary action. Please refer to the following sections for additional information: Drug Free Schools and Communities Act, Laws Regarding Alcohol and Drugs, School Sanctions, and Local Treatment Resources, and the Code of Conduct in the Student Handbook.

DRUG FREE SCHOOLS & COMMUNITIES ACT

Educational Guidelines Pertaining to Drug Free Schools & Communities Act

RUSM expects all members of its community including students, faculty and staff, to be familiar with and to abide by applicable state, federal and local laws regarding alcohol and drugs. Students are also responsible for knowing school regulations concerning alcohol use on campus. RUSM forbids the unauthorized use, possession, distribution or sale of drugs or alcohol by a student anywhere on RUSM property. Violation of these laws or regulations may subject a student to both criminal prosecution and campus disciplinary action.

Use of illicit drugs and abuse of prescription drugs pose a serious threat to mental and physical health. Alcohol is a drug. Its use in even the smallest amounts may be harmful to some people, and when used to excess, alcohol is harmful to everyone. For this reason, responsible drinking is essential and is expected of those who choose to drink.

Substance

Alcohol (at .08 Blood Alcohol Concentration & Above)

Impaired motor abilities; reduced judgment; sleepiness; increased sexual desire but reduced ability to perform; nausea, vomiting; liver disorders-alcoholic hepatitis, alcoholic cirrhosis; cancer of the-tongue, mouth, throat, esophagus, liver, breast; fetal alcohol syndrome (most common symptom is mental retardation).

Cannabis Marijuana Hash/Hash Oil THC

Diminished-short term memory, motivation & cognition, coordination & concentration, oral communication, reaction time; anxiety & panic reactions; carcinogenic elements in smoke; damaged lungs & respiratory system.

Cocaine (includes Crack Cocaine)

Increased likelihood of risk taking; seizures; sleeplessness; paranoia; irregular heartbeat; can cause sudden death by stroke or heart failure, even in young users; cocaine psychosis (paranoia & hallucinations); ulceration of mucous membranes in the nose; sexual dysfunction; during pregnancy can cause severe physical & emotional problems in babies.

Depressants, Tranquilizers, Barbiturates, Methaqualone

Dangerous effects when mixed with alcohol; calmness & relaxed muscles; slurred speech, staggering gait, loss of motor coordination; altered perceptions; respiratory depression which can result in coma or death; disruption of normal sleep cycle; during pregnancy-birth defects, brain tumors in children; tolerance develops severe withdrawal symptoms; physical & psychological dependence.

Other Stimulants (Excluding Cocaine), Amphetamines, Methamphetamines

Increased heart & respiratory rates; elevated blood; decreased appetite; headaches; blurred vision; dizziness; sleeplessness; anxiety; amphetamine psychosis-violent behavior, hallucinations, delusions, paranoia; drug tolerance & dependency; mood swings; ulcers; mental confusion.

Psychedelics, LSD, Mescaline, Psilocybin, Phencyclidine (PCP), MDMA (Ecstasy), MDA

Distorted sense of distance, space and time; blockage of pain sensations; nausea, vomiting & diarrhea; severe mood disorders, panic depression, anxiety; greater suggestibility & feelings of invulnerability; unpredictable reactions if drugs are "cut" with impurities; tolerance after (3-4 daily doses--higher doses are required to produce same effects).

Narcotics, Opium, Morphine, Codeine, Thebaine, Heroin, Methadone, Darvon, Demerol

Feeling of euphoria followed by drowsiness; nausea & vomiting; respiratory depression; central nervous system depression; use of unsterile needles promotes-AIDS, hepatitis B, endocarditis (infection in the heart); women dependent on opiates have multiple pregnancy complications-spontaneous abortions, still births, anemia, diabetes.

LAWS REGARDING ALCOHOL AND DRUGS

Florida

In addition to the Federal laws, the State of Florida has its own laws dealing with controlled substances.

A minimum of five years imprisonment is the penalty for a first offense of manufacture, distribution, dispensing or possession with intent to distribute 50 pounds or more of marijuana; 448 grams or more of cocaine or cocaine mixture; 50 grams or more of cocaine base; 28 grams or more of morphine or opium mixture; 1000 dosage units of LSD or mixture; 448 grams or more of methamphetamine or mixture; or 448 grams or more of phencyclidine in liquid form. For a second offense, the authorized penalty is doubled. If the offender is convicted as a "drug kingpin," even the first offense can carry a fine of up to \$1,000,000 and 20-40 years imprisonment without parole.

The penalty for a first offense of trafficking in PCP, LSD, or other Schedule I and II narcotics is a fine of up to \$25,000 (\$20,000 in case of PCP and LSD) and/or imprisonment of up to twenty years. For a second offense, the minimum prison term is ten years. Trafficking in other Schedule I-IV controlled substances is punishable by a fine of up to \$15,000 and prison term up to five years (both are doubled for a second offense).

Local Prohibitions on Drug Paraphernalia: Several Maryland jurisdictions have their own laws prohibiting the sale, display, distribution, or possession with intent to sell, of drug paraphernalia. Among these are Annapolis (city),

Harford County, Howard County, and Prince George's County. Depending upon the particular local law, a violation may be punishable by fine of up to \$1,000 and/or possible imprisonment of up to six months.

Alcohol: Drinking alcoholic beverages is prohibited on public property under Maryland State law and under many county and local codes within Maryland, including Anne Arundel, Prince George's, and St. Mary's Counties. Many jurisdictions, either under State law or their own codes, also prohibit the possession of alcohol in an open container on public property or shopping center property, including Annapolis (city) and the counties of Baltimore, Carroll, Dorchester, Frederick, Harford, Montgomery, and St. Mary's. These laws generally carry fines ranging from \$100 to \$500 for a violation, and some also provide for jail terms ranging from 5 to 90 days.

It is illegal for persons under age 21 to possess alcoholic beverages with intent to consume them, and for anyone to falsify or misrepresent his or her age or another person's age to obtain alcohol. It is also illegal in most circumstances to obtain or give alcohol to a person under age 21. The penalty is a fine of \$500 for the first offense and up to \$1,000 for repeat offenses.

1. Florida Statute 562.11 - Selling, giving, or serving alcoholic beverages to persons under age 21; providing a proper name; misrepresenting or misstating age or age of another to induce licensee to serve alcoholic beverages to person under 21; penalties.
2. It is unlawful for any person to sell, give, serve, or permit to be served alcoholic beverages to a person less than 21 years of age or to permit a person less than 21 years of age to consume such beverages on the licensed premises.
3. It is unlawful for any person to misrepresent or misstate his or her age or the age of any other person for the purpose of inducing any licensee or his or her agents or employees to sell, give, serve, or deliver any alcoholic beverages to a person less than 21 years of age.
4. Anyone convicted of violating either of the above provisions is guilty of a second-degree misdemeanor. If a driver's license (or an identification card issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles) is used in violation of these provisions, additional penalties may be imposed, including suspension or revocation of the driver's license.
5. Florida Statute 562.111 – Possession of alcoholic beverages by persons under age 21 is prohibited. It is unlawful for any person under the age of 21 years to have in her or his possession alcoholic beverages. Convicted violators of this statute are guilty of a second-degree misdemeanor. Suspension or revocation of a driver's license may also be imposed.
6. Florida Statute 316.193 – Driving under the influence. A person is guilty of the offense of driving under the influence and is subject to punishment as provided in subsection (2) if the person is driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle within this state, and: The person is under the influence of alcoholic beverages, any chemical substance set forth in Section 877.111, or any substance controlled under Chapter 893, when affected to the extent that the person's normal faculties are impaired; the person has a blood alcohol level of 0.08 or more grams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of blood or the person has a breath alcohol level of 0.08 or more of alcohol per 210 liters of breath.
7. Florida Statute 316.1936 – Possession of open containers of alcoholic beverages in vehicles is prohibited. It is unlawful and punishable as provided in this section for any person to possess an open container of an alcoholic beverage while operating a vehicle in the state or while a passenger in or on a vehicle being operated in the state. Convicted violators of this statute are guilty of a non-criminal moving traffic violation.
8. Florida Statute 856.015 – Open house parties. No adult having control of any residence shall allow an open house party (a social gathering at a residence) to take place at said residence if any alcoholic beverage or drug is possessed or consumed at said residence by any minor where the adult knows that an alcoholic beverage or drug is in the possession of or being consumed by a minor at said residence and where the adult fails to take reasonable steps to prevent the possession or consumption of the alcoholic beverage or drug. Convicted violators of this statute are guilty of a second-degree misdemeanor.
9. Florida Statute 856.011 – Disorderly intoxication. No person in the state shall be intoxicated and endanger the safety of another person or property, and no person in the state shall be intoxicated or drink any alcoholic beverage in a public place or in or upon any public conveyance and cause a public disturbance. Convicted violators of this statute are guilty of a second-degree misdemeanor.
10. Florida Statute 768.125 – Liability for injury or damage resulting from intoxication. A person who sells or furnishes alcoholic beverages to a person of lawful drinking age shall not thereby become liable for injury or damage caused by or resulting from the intoxication of such person, except that a person who willfully and unlawfully sells or furnishes alcoholic beverages to a person who is not of lawful drinking age or knowingly serves a person habitually addicted to the use of any or all alcoholic beverages may become liable for injury or damage caused by or resulting from the intoxication of such minor or person.

893.13 Prohibited acts; penalties.—

(1)(a) Except as authorized by this chapter and chapter 499, a person may not sell, manufacture, or deliver, or possess with intent to sell, manufacture, or deliver, a controlled substance. A person who violates this provision with respect to:

1. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)4. commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
2. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)5., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (3), or (4) commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
3. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(5) commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#) or s. [775.083](#).

(b) Except as provided in this chapter, a person may not sell or deliver in excess of 10 grams of any substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(a) or (1)(b), or any combination thereof, or any mixture containing any such substance. A person who violates this paragraph commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).

(c) Except as authorized by this chapter, a person may not sell, manufacture, or deliver, or possess with intent to sell, manufacture, or deliver, a controlled substance in, on, or within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a child care facility as defined in s. [402.302](#) or a public or private elementary, middle, or secondary school between the hours of 6 a.m. and 12 midnight, or at any time in, on, or within 1,000 feet of real property comprising a state, county, or municipal park, a community center, or a publicly owned recreational facility. As used in this paragraph, the term “community center” means a facility operated by a nonprofit community-based organization for the provision of recreational, social, or educational services to the public. A person who violates this paragraph with respect to:

1. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)4. commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#). The defendant must be sentenced to a minimum term of imprisonment of 3 calendar years unless the offense was committed within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a child care facility as defined in s. [402.302](#).
2. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)5., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (3), or (4) commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
3. Any other controlled substance, except as lawfully sold, manufactured, or delivered, must be sentenced to pay a \$500 fine and to serve 100 hours of public service in addition to any other penalty prescribed by law. This paragraph does not apply to a child care facility unless the owner or operator of the facility posts a sign that is not less than 2 square feet in size with a word legend identifying the facility as a licensed child care facility and that is posted on the property of the child care facility in a conspicuous place where the sign is reasonably visible to the public.

(d) Except as authorized by this chapter, a person may not sell, manufacture, or deliver, or possess with intent to sell, manufacture, or deliver, a controlled substance in, on, or within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a public or private college, university, or other postsecondary educational institution. A person who violates this paragraph with respect to:

1. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)4. commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
2. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)5., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (3), or (4) commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
3. Any other controlled substance, except as lawfully sold, manufactured, or delivered, must be sentenced to pay a \$500 fine and to serve 100 hours of public service in addition to any other penalty prescribed by law.

(e) Except as authorized by this chapter, a person may not sell, manufacture, or deliver, or possess with intent to sell, manufacture, or deliver, a controlled substance not authorized by law in, on, or within 1,000 feet of a physical place for worship at which a church or religious organization regularly conducts religious services or within 1,000 feet of a convenience business as defined in s. [812.171](#). A person who violates this paragraph with respect to:

1. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)4. commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
2. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)5., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (3), or (4) commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
3. Any other controlled substance, except as lawfully sold, manufactured, or delivered, must be sentenced to pay a \$500 fine and to serve 100 hours of public service in addition to any other penalty prescribed by law.

(f) Except as authorized by this chapter, a person may not sell, manufacture, or deliver, or possess with intent to sell, manufacture, or deliver, a controlled substance in, on, or within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a

public housing facility at any time. As used in this section, the term “real property comprising a public housing facility” means real property, as defined in s. [421.03](#)(12), of a public corporation created as a housing authority pursuant to part I of chapter 421. A person who violates this paragraph with respect to:

1. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)4. commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
 2. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)5., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (3), or (4) commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
 3. Any other controlled substance, except as lawfully sold, manufactured, or delivered, must be sentenced to pay a \$500 fine and to serve 100 hours of public service in addition to any other penalty prescribed by law.
- (g) Except as authorized by this chapter, a person may not manufacture methamphetamine or phencyclidine, or possess any listed chemical as defined in s. [893.033](#) in violation of s. [893.149](#) and with intent to manufacture methamphetamine or phencyclidine. If a person violates this paragraph and:
1. The commission or attempted commission of the crime occurs in a structure or conveyance where any child younger than 16 years of age is present, the person commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#). In addition, the defendant must be sentenced to a minimum term of imprisonment of 5 calendar years.
 2. The commission of the crime causes any child younger than 16 years of age to suffer great bodily harm, the person commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#). In addition, the defendant must be sentenced to a minimum term of imprisonment of 10 calendar years.
- (h) Except as authorized by this chapter, a person may not sell, manufacture, or deliver, or possess with intent to sell, manufacture, or deliver, a controlled substance in, on, or within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising an assisted living facility, as that term is used in chapter 429. A person who violates this paragraph with respect to:
1. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)4. commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
 2. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)5., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (3), or (4) commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
- (2)(a) Except as authorized by this chapter and chapter 499, a person may not purchase, or possess with intent to purchase, a controlled substance. A person who violates this provision with respect to:
1. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)4. commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
 2. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)5., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (3), or (4) commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
 3. A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(5) commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#) or s. [775.083](#).
- (b) Except as provided in this chapter, a person may not purchase more than 10 grams of any substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(a) or (1)(b), or any combination thereof, or any mixture containing any such substance. A person who violates this paragraph commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
- (3) A person who delivers, without consideration, 20 grams or less of cannabis, as defined in this chapter, commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#) or s. [775.083](#). As used in this paragraph, the term “cannabis” does not include the resin extracted from the plants of the genus Cannabis or any compound manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of such resin.
- (4) Except as authorized by this chapter, a person 18 years of age or older may not deliver any controlled substance to a person younger than 18 years of age, use or hire a person younger than 18 years of age as an agent or employee in the sale or delivery of such a substance, or use such person to assist in avoiding detection or apprehension for a violation of this chapter. A person who violates this provision with respect to:
- (a) A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)4. commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).
 - (b) A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)5., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (3), or (4) commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).

Imposition of sentence may not be suspended or deferred, and the person so convicted may not be placed on probation.

(5) A person may not bring into this state any controlled substance unless the possession of such controlled substance is authorized by this chapter or unless such person is licensed to do so by the appropriate federal agency.

A person who violates this provision with respect to:

(a) A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)4. commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).

(b) A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)5., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (3), or (4) commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).

(c) A controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(5) commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#) or s. [775.083](#).

(6)(a) A person may not be in actual or constructive possession of a controlled substance unless such controlled substance was lawfully obtained from a practitioner or pursuant to a valid prescription or order of a practitioner while acting in the course of his or her professional practice or to be in actual or constructive possession of a controlled substance except as otherwise authorized by this chapter. A person who violates this provision commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).

(b) If the offense is the possession of 20 grams or less of cannabis, as defined in this chapter, or 3 grams or less of a controlled substance described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(c)46.-50., 114.-142., 151.-159., or 166.-173., the person commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#) or s. [775.083](#). As used in this subsection, the term “cannabis” does not include the resin extracted from the plants of the genus Cannabis, or any compound manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of such resin, and a controlled substance described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(c)46.-50., 114.-142., 151.-159., or 166.-173. does not include the substance in a powdered form.

(c) Except as provided in this chapter, a person may not possess more than 10 grams of any substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1)(a) or (1)(b), or any combination thereof, or any mixture containing any such substance. A person who violates this paragraph commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).

(d) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary of the laws of this state relating to arrest, a law enforcement officer may arrest without warrant any person who the officer has probable cause to believe is violating the provisions of this chapter relating to possession of cannabis.

(7)(a) A person may not:

1. Distribute or dispense a controlled substance in violation of this chapter.

2. Refuse or fail to make, keep, or furnish any record, notification, order form, statement, invoice, or information required under this chapter.

3. Refuse entry into any premises for any inspection or refuse to allow any inspection authorized by this chapter.

4. Distribute a controlled substance named or described in s. [893.03](#)(1) or (2) except pursuant to an order form as required by s. [893.06](#).

5. Keep or maintain any store, shop, warehouse, dwelling, building, vehicle, boat, aircraft, or other structure or place which is resorted to by persons using controlled substances in violation of this chapter for the purpose of using these substances, or which is used for keeping or selling them in violation of this chapter.

6. Use to his or her own personal advantage, or reveal, any information obtained in enforcement of this chapter except in a prosecution or administrative hearing for a violation of this chapter.

7. Possess a prescription form unless it has been signed by the practitioner whose name appears printed thereon and completed. This subparagraph does not apply if the person in possession of the form is the practitioner whose name appears printed thereon, an agent or employee of that practitioner, a pharmacist, or a supplier of prescription forms who is authorized by that practitioner to possess those forms.

8. Withhold information from a practitioner from whom the person seeks to obtain a controlled substance or a prescription for a controlled substance that the person making the request has received a controlled substance or a prescription for a controlled substance of like therapeutic use from another practitioner within the previous 30 days.

9. Acquire or obtain, or attempt to acquire or obtain, possession of a controlled substance by misrepresentation, fraud, forgery, deception, or subterfuge.

10. Affix any false or forged label to a package or receptacle containing a controlled substance.

11. Furnish false or fraudulent material information in, or omit any material information from, any report or other document required to be kept or filed under this chapter or any record required to be kept by this chapter.

12. Store anhydrous ammonia in a container that is not approved by the United States Department of Transportation to hold anhydrous ammonia or is not constructed in accordance with sound engineering, agricultural, or commercial practices.

13. With the intent to obtain a controlled substance or combination of controlled substances that are not medically necessary for the person or an amount of a controlled substance or substances that is not medically necessary for the person, obtain or attempt to obtain from a practitioner a controlled substance or a prescription for a controlled substance by misrepresentation, fraud, forgery, deception, subterfuge, or concealment of a material fact. For purposes of this subparagraph, a material fact includes whether the person has an existing prescription for a controlled substance issued for the same period of time by another practitioner or as described in subparagraph 8.

(b) A health care practitioner, with the intent to provide a controlled substance or combination of controlled substances that are not medically necessary to his or her patient or an amount of controlled substances that is not medically necessary for his or her patient, may not provide a controlled substance or a prescription for a controlled substance by misrepresentation, fraud, forgery, deception, subterfuge, or concealment of a material fact. For purposes of this paragraph, a material fact includes whether the patient has an existing prescription for a controlled substance issued for the same period of time by another practitioner or as described in subparagraph (a)8.

(c) A person who violates subparagraphs (a)1.-6. commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#) or s. [775.083](#), except that, upon a second or subsequent violation, the person commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).

(d) A person who violates subparagraphs (a)7.-12. commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).

(e) A person or health care practitioner who violates the provisions of subparagraph (a)13. or paragraph (b) commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#), if any controlled substance that is the subject of the offense is listed in Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV.

(8)(a) Notwithstanding subsection (9), a prescribing practitioner may not:

1. Knowingly assist a patient, other person, or the owner of an animal in obtaining a controlled substance through deceptive, untrue, or fraudulent representations in or related to the practice of the prescribing practitioner's professional practice;

2. Employ a trick or scheme in the practice of the prescribing practitioner's professional practice to assist a patient, other person, or the owner of an animal in obtaining a controlled substance;

3. Knowingly write a prescription for a controlled substance for a fictitious person; or

4. Write a prescription for a controlled substance for a patient, other person, or an animal if the sole purpose of writing such prescription is to provide a monetary benefit to, or obtain a monetary benefit for, the prescribing practitioner.

(b) If the prescribing practitioner wrote a prescription or multiple prescriptions for a controlled substance for the patient, other person, or animal for which there was no medical necessity, or which was in excess of what was medically necessary to treat the patient, other person, or animal, that fact does not give rise to any presumption that the prescribing practitioner violated subparagraph (a)1., but may be considered with other competent evidence in determining whether the prescribing practitioner knowingly assisted a patient, other person, or the owner of an animal to obtain a controlled substance in violation of subparagraph (a)1.

(c) A person who violates paragraph (a) commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).

(d) Notwithstanding paragraph (c), if a prescribing practitioner has violated paragraph (a) and received \$1,000 or more in payment for writing one or more prescriptions or, in the case of a prescription written for a controlled substance described in s. [893.135](#), has written one or more prescriptions for a quantity of a controlled substance which, individually or in the aggregate, meets the threshold for the offense of trafficking in a controlled substance under s. [893.15](#), the violation is reclassified as a felony of the second degree and ranked in level 4 of the Criminal Punishment Code.

(9) The provisions of subsections (1)-(8) are not applicable to the delivery to, or actual or constructive possession for medical or scientific use or purpose only of controlled substances by, persons included in any of the following classes, or the agents or employees of such persons, for use in the usual course of their business or profession or in the performance of their official duties:

- (a) Pharmacists.
- (b) Practitioners.
- (c) Persons who procure controlled substances in good faith and in the course of professional practice only, by or under the supervision of pharmacists or practitioners employed by them, or for the purpose of lawful research, teaching, or testing, and not for resale.
- (d) Hospitals that procure controlled substances for lawful administration by practitioners, but only for use by or in the particular hospital.
- (e) Officers or employees of state, federal, or local governments acting in their official capacity only, or informers acting under their jurisdiction.
- (f) Common carriers.
- (g) Manufacturers, wholesalers, and distributors.
- (h) Law enforcement officers for bona fide law enforcement purposes in the course of an active criminal investigation.

(10) If a person violates any provision of this chapter and the violation results in a serious injury to a state or local law enforcement officer as defined in s. [943.10](#), firefighter as defined in s. [633.102](#), emergency medical technician as defined in s. [401.23](#), paramedic as defined in s. [401.23](#), employee of a public utility or an electric utility as defined in s. [366.02](#), animal control officer as defined in s. [828.27](#), volunteer firefighter engaged by state or local government, law enforcement officer employed by the Federal Government, or any other local, state, or Federal Government employee injured during the course and scope of his or her employment, the person commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#). If the injury sustained results in death or great bodily harm, the person commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#), s. [775.083](#), or s. [775.084](#).

FEDERAL

Federal law penalizes the unlawful manufacturing, distribution, use, sale, and possession of controlled substances. The penalties vary based on many factors, including the type and amount of the drug involved, and whether there is intent to distribute. Federal law sets penalties for first offenses ranging from less than one year to life imprisonment and/or fines up to \$10 million. Penalties may include forfeiture of property, including vehicles used to possess, transport, or conceal a controlled substance; the denial of professional licenses or Federal benefits, such as student loans, grants, and contracts; successful completion of a drug treatment program; community service; and ineligibility to receive or purchase a firearm. Federal law holds that any person who distributes, possesses with intent to distribute, or manufactures a controlled substance on or within one thousand feet of an educational facility is subject to a doubling of the applicable maximum punishments and fines. See the Federal Controlled Substances Act at 21 USC 800.

SCHOOL SANCTIONS **

(APPLIED TO ALL CATEGORIES OF SUBSTANCES)

RUSM strictly prohibits the unlawful manufacturing, distribution, dispensing, use or possession of alcohol, illegal drugs and controlled substances or the misuse of prescription drugs on the RUSM campus or the grounds of its affiliates (e.g., clinical teaching facilities). Violation of the law could subject the student to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal and referral for prosecution.

All members of the RUSM community shall abide by both the laws of the U.S. government, the state of Florida, and any local ordinances and regulations relative to the possession, consumption, distribution, transportation, manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages or products. RUSM will impose sanctions for violation of the standards of behavior both on and off campus, consistent with local and federal statutes and RUSM policies. Sanctions imposed depend upon the local and federal statutes and RUSM policies. Sanctions imposed depend upon the severity and frequency of the violation. Offenders may also be required to complete an appropriate rehabilitation program, in addition to or sometimes in lieu of disciplinary actions.

Violations of RUSM alcohol and substance abuse policies are considered violations of the Honor Code Sanctions include, but are not limited to: probation, probation and referral for treatment and rehabilitation (without adjudication), suspension, expulsion, and referral for prosecution, as appropriate. Individuals disciplined under these policies have the right to an appeal, in accordance with RUSM's grievance protocol.

Student convicted of drug possession under US federal law are ineligible for federal student grants and loans for up to one year after the first conviction, and five years after the second. The penalty for distributing drugs is loss of benefits for five years after the first conviction, ten years after the second, and permanently after the third conviction.

RUSM sanctions are separate from applicable civil or criminal laws. Violations of RUSM standards may also violate federal, state and local laws of the U.S., England and the Commonwealth of Dominica, or other appropriate governance body.

Violators will be subject to all appropriate penalties within the jurisdiction of the offense. Within the Commonwealth of Dominica jurisdiction, drug trafficking, which includes producing, supplying and using, is punishable by fines, deportation and/or imprisonment.

Some specific acts of misconduct that are unacceptable under the Code of Conduct and therefore subject to disciplinary action include, but are not limited to:

- **Alcohol on Campus:** RUSM prohibits the unauthorized possession or use of alcohol on campus (see Alcohol and Substance Abuse Policy).
- **Possession or Unauthorized Use of Controlled Substances/Drugs:** RUSM prohibits the possession, sale, or distribution of illegal drugs, diversion of controlled substances, or use of controlled substances without a prescription.
- **Failure to Adhere to Policies:** RUSM expects compliance with all policies set forth in the Student Handbook, as well as all other published RUSM policies. Furthermore, students are expected to comply with expectations set forth by DeVry Education Group and affiliate institutions including but not limited to Synergy, Inc., and any hospital, clinical, or other affiliate institutions, while benefiting from facilities at those institutions.

STUDENTS

Possession, use, sale of any amount on school property or as part of any school activity. Sanctions for this violation could lead up to expulsion.

STUDENT DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS DEFINED

Disciplinary Probation - A specified period of time during which the student's activities may be curtailed, for which an active student is advised in writing of probable suspension or expulsion for future misconduct.

Suspension - Temporary exclusion from any extra-curricular activities for a specified period of time with the student advised in writing of probable expulsion for future misconduct. Conditions for terminating the suspension period and appeal will be stated in the written order of suspension.

Expulsion - Termination of student status for an indefinite period; usually a permanent dismissal from the School. Conditions of expulsion and appeal will be stated in the written order of expulsion.

FACULTY AND STAFF

Colleagues of the institution are prohibited from:

- While performing school business under the influence of a controlled substance
- possession, use, sale of a controlled substance
- furnishing a controlled substance to a minor.

Sanctions for this violation could lead up to termination of employment.

**These sanctions are in addition to any criminal sanctions that may be imposed. Student colleagues are subject to both colleague and student sanctions.

LOCAL TREATMENT RESOURCES

The following is a sampling of local area information and treatment resources. A more comprehensive listing of available counseling and treatment programs can be obtained in the Student Central.

Narcotics Anonymous Helpline Broward County / 954-967-6755

- Narcotics Anonymous Helpline Miami-Dade County / 305-620-3875
- Alcoholics Anonymous Helpline Broward County / 954-462-0265
- Alcoholics Anonymous Helpline Miami-Dade County / 305-371-7784

Treatment Centers:

- Destination Hope www.destinationhope.net
- Challenges www.challenges-program.com
- Transitions www.transitionsrecovery.com
- Holistic Addiction Treatment Center www.drugrehabcenter.com

STUDENT RIGHTS UNDER FERPA

(The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act)

RUSM respects the rights and privacy of its students and acknowledge the responsibility to maintain confidentiality of personally identifiable information.

FERPA is a federal law that affords students the following rights with respect to their education records:

1. THE RIGHT TO INSPECT AND REVIEW THE STUDENT'S EDUCATION RECORDS

Students have the right to review their education records within 45 days of the day the institution receives their request. Students should submit to the registrar, dean, or head of the academic department written requests that identify the record(s) they wish to inspect. The institution official will make arrangements for access and notify the student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. If the official to whom the request is submitted does not maintain the records, that official will advise the student of the correct official to whom the request should be addressed.

2. THE RIGHT TO SEEK AN AMENDMENT OF INACCURATE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

Students may ask the institution to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate or misleading. They should write to the official responsible for the record, clearly identify the part of the record they believe should be changed and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading. If the institution decides not to amend the record as requested by the student, the student will be notified of the decision and advised of his or her right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the student when they are notified of the right to a hearing. Following the hearing, if the institution still decides not to amend the record, the student has a right to place a clarifying statement in the record. The institution is not required to consider requests for amendment to grades or disciplinary decisions.

3. THE RIGHT TO LIMIT DISCLOSURE OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION

Students have the right to consent to disclosure of personally identifiable information contained in their educational records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. An exception that permits disclosure without consent is disclosure to school officials who have legitimate educational interests, and the disclosure of directory information. Directory information is not considered to be harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed. See additional information on next page.

4. THE RIGHT TO FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IF THE INSTITUTION FAILS TO COMPLY WITH FERPA REQUIREMENTS

Complaints should be directed to:

Family Policy Compliance Office

U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202-4605

DIRECTORY INFORMATION

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) designates certain student information as “Directory Information” and gives the institution the right to disclose such information without having to ask students’ permission. The items listed below as “Directory Information” may be released for any purpose at the discretion of the institution. Under the provisions of FERPA, students have the right to withhold the disclosure of any or all of the categories of information listed below. **The following information will be released unless students specifically request that their information be withheld:**

- **Directory Information:** Name, address, telephone number, email address, date and place of birth, dates of attendance, previous institution(s) attended, major field of study (program), enrollment status, degrees and awards, past and present participation in officially recognized activities.

To Withhold Information

To have directory information withheld, students must submit a written request to the Registrar. Once filed, this request becomes a permanent part of the student’s record and no information may be released until the student instructs the institution otherwise.

VOTER REGISTRATION

As a participant in Title IV Federal Student Financial Aid programs, RUSM would like to remind students who are U.S. citizens of the importance of registering to vote.

If you are interested in participating in local, state, or national elections, please visit the Election Assistance Commission website at www.eac.gov/voter_resources/register_to_vote.aspx to learn how you can register to vote.

UNAUTHORIZED DISTRIBUTION OF COPYRIGHTED MATERIALS

RUSM strives to provide access to varied materials, services and equipment for students, faculty and staff and does not knowingly condone policies or practices that constitute an infringement of Federal copyright law. Transmitting or downloading any material that you do not have the right to make available and that infringes any patent, trademark, trade secret, copyright or other proprietary rights of any party is prohibited.

Installing or distributing pirated or unlicensed software is also forbidden. Violation of these requirements may subject students, faculty and staff to civil and criminal liabilities. Students, faculty or staff who violate federal copyright law do so at their own risk. Copyright status is applied to a work as soon as it is created. Users should assume that all writings and images are copyrighted.

Title 17 of the United States Code (17 USC §501 et seq.) outlines remedies for copyright infringement that may include some or all of the following: obtaining an injunction to stop the infringing activity; impounding and disposing of the infringing articles; an award to the copyright owner of actual damages and the profits of the infringer, or in the alternative, an award of statutory damages which may be increased if the infringement is found to be willful; an award of two times the amount of the license fee a copyright owner could have gotten; an award of the full costs incurred in bringing an infringement action, and the award of attorney’s fees; and for criminal copyright infringement, fines and imprisonment.

RUSM maintains a campus network to support and enhance the academic and administrative needs of our students, faculty and staff. RUSM is required by Federal Law – H.R. 4137 to make an annual disclosure informing students that illegal distribution of copyrighted materials may lead to civil and/or criminal penalties. RUSM takes steps to detect and punish users who illegally distribute copyrighted materials.

RUSM reserves the right to suspend or terminate network access to any campus user that violates this policy and Network access may be suspended if any use is impacting the operations of the network. Violations may be

reported to appropriate authorities for criminal or civil prosecution. The existence and imposition of sanctions do not protect members of the campus community from any legal action by external entities.

Alternatives to Illegal Downloading

Illegal downloads hurt artists and deter the incentive to create. U.S. laws protect the rights of individuals regarding their own works. Below are lists of sites that offer free or inexpensive products that you can use without violating copyright law.

FREE AND LEGAL

Clipart:

<http://www.coolarchive.com/>

<http://www.clipart.com/>

Fonts:

<http://www.blambot.com/>

<http://www.fonts.com/>

Photos:

<http://www.freefoto.com/index.jsp>

<https://www.photospin.com/Default.asp?>

Music:

<http://download.cnet.com/windows/>

<http://www.epitonic.com/>

<http://betterpropaganda.com/>

ROSS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE-MIRAMAR - CAMPUS ANNUAL CAMPUS CRIME STATISTICS

Reported in accordance with Uniform Crime Reporting procedures and the
Jeanne Cleary Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act

Total Crimes Reported for:	On Campus			Public Property		
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
Criminal Offenses (includes attempts)						
Murder/Non-negligent manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex offenses - Forcible						
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex offenses - Non-forcible						
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory rape	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated assault	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	3	0	0	0
Motor vehicle theft	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0
HATE CRIMES						
If there are any hate crimes to report, please enter count here and narrative description below.						
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VAWA Offenses						
Domestic violence						
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence						
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking						
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrests						
Weapons: carrying, possession, etc.						
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug abuse violations						
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor law violations						
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Actions						
Weapons: carrying, possession, etc.						
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug abuse violations						
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor law violations						
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes						
Provide narrative description of any incidents occurring during the three most recent calendar years. Include date, geographic location, and category of prejudice and offense type.						
Race, Religion						
Sexual Orientation						
Gender, Gender Identity						
Disability						
Ethnicity						
National Origin						
Example: "2013: One on-campus robbery characterized by religious bias."						
On campus or public property:						
2013	2014	2015				
Total Unfounded Crimes						
0	0	0				