

FLORIDA A&M UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES



NOTICE OF PROPOSED NEW REGULATION

DATE: March 9, 2015

REGULATION CHAPTER NO.: Chapter 2

REGULATION CHAPTER TITLE: Student Affairs

REGULATION TITLE AND NUMBER: Assessment and Care Team (2.011)

SUMMARY OF REGULATION: This new Regulation codifies the University's Assessment and Care Team (ACT). This team is responsible for reviewing, assessing, and making recommendations and/or referrals regarding any University student who may be in significant distress, especially those who may be of harm to self, others, or their behavior is significantly disruptive to the educational environment. Students, faculty, staff, stakeholders or other individuals with direct knowledge of the behavior in question may make a referral. Decisions/recommendations of ACT are not disciplinary action but rather remedial action taken to assist and protect individuals. The Vice President for Student Affairs determines the composition of the team.

AUTHORITY FOR REGULATION: Section 7, Article IX, Florida Constitution and Board of Governors Regulations 1.001

UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL INITIATING THIS REGULATION: Dr. William Hudson, Jr., Vice President for Student Affairs.

PROCEDURE FOR COMMENTS: Written comments concerning this proposed regulation shall be submitted within 14 days of the date of this notice to the person identified below. The comments must specifically identify the regulation you are commenting on.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION IS: Dr. William Hudson, Jr., Vice President for Student Affairs, 308 Foote-Hilyer Administration Center, Tallahassee, Florida 32307-3100, (850) 599-3183 (phone), (850) 561-2674 (fax), william.hudsonjr@famu.edu or Antoneia L. Roe, Esq., Associate Dean of Students and Director of Judicial Affairs, 101 Student Union Building, Tallahassee, Florida 32307-3100, (850) 599-3541 (phone), (850) 561-2169 (fax), antoneia.roe@famu.edu.

FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED REGULATION: The full text of this new regulation follows:

Regulations of Florida A&M University



2.011 Assessment and Care Team

(1) The Florida A&M University Assessment and Care Team (“ACT”) supports the safety and well-being of the University community through education, communication, collaboration and appropriate, timely intervention. ACT will respect privacy and confidentiality while proactively fostering prevention, intervention and awareness.

(2) ACT is responsible for reviewing, assessing, and making recommendations and/or referrals regarding any University student who may be in significant distress, especially those who may be of harm to self, others, or their behavior is significantly disruptive to the educational environment. The composition of the Team will be determined by the Vice President for Student Affairs.

(3) Students, faculty, staff, stakeholders or other individuals with direct knowledge of the behavior in question may make a referral. All referrals must be in writing, preferably using the ACT Referral Form. The referring person must include in the written report his or her name, employee or student identification number, e-mail address and telephone numbers. Individuals who make referrals to ACT should be aware that the student who is being reported may have access to the content of the written referral. All referrals will be evaluated by ACT.

(4) Potential outcomes as a result of the ACT evaluation may include, but are not limited to:

(a) No action recommended at this time, with or without further observation,

(b) Request and/or gather additional information,

(c) Assist faculty or staff in developing a plan of action to address the reason for the referral,

(d) Referral to existing on-campus support services (e.g., Judicial Affairs, Public Safety, Counseling Center, Student Health Services, Dean of Students, Ombudsman, etc.),

(e) Referral to appropriate community resources, and/or

(f) Recommend other action deemed appropriate by ACT.

(5) Decisions/recommendations of ACT are not disciplinary action but rather remedial action taken to assist and protect individuals; thus, the decisions are final and there is no appeal process. Students who do not comply with the recommendations/referrals may be placed on an administrative hold, which prevents the student from conducting business at the University (i.e. any form of registration or obtaining transcripts). Students may also be referred to the Dean of Students for further action, including but not limited to, involuntary withdrawal from the University, prohibition from attending classes and participating in extra-curricular activities in accordance with existing University Regulations, policies and procedures until compliance is effected.

Specific Authority: Article IX, section 7(c), Florida Constitution, Board of Governors Regulation 1.001; History: New _____, 2015.