

SAFETY POLICY

Scope

This policy applies to all University of Nebraska Medical Center administrators, faculty, staff and students.

Basis of Policy

The University of Nebraska Board of Regents (<http://www.nebraska.edu/board.html>) policy requires that UNMC develop and implement an effective written injury and illness prevention program which promotes occupational safety and health practices and strives to reduce work-related accidents and injuries on campus. In addition, UNMC's injury and illness prevention program complies with applicable federal regulations, the Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and the rules and regulations promulgated by the State of Nebraska Commissioner of Labor (<https://dol.nebraska.gov/webdocs/Regulations/230%20-%20Safety%20and%20Labor%20Standards/230-06.pdf>).

Policy

UNMC recognizes its role of stewardship in protecting and conserving the human, property, and financial resources of the University. Each employee and student of UNMC must also recognize this commitment and practice the highest degree of concern for the safety of fellow employees, students, patients, and the general public. It is the policy of UNMC to promote safety at all times and to prevent occupational injury, illness, and financial loss to the institution.

Procedures

The personal safety and health of each UNMC employee is of primary importance. Supporting and funding programs and projects that prevent occupationally induced injury and illness is a high priority. To the greatest degree possible, management will provide all equipment and instruction on safety practices required for personal health and safety, in keeping with applicable standards.

The Chancellor or designee is assigned the responsibility for the implementation of the safety program at UNMC. The UNMC safety program includes the development and maintenance of an effective, written Injury, Illness, and Prevention Program (IIPP), the establishment of campus safety committees, and safety guidelines, plans, and procedures. Information on the IIPP, campus safety committees, and safety guidelines, plans, and procedures are all available at UNMC Environmental Health and Safety Policies, Plans and Guidelines (https://www.unmc.edu/ehs/safety/safety_policies_plans_guidelines.html).

Additional Information

- Contact Environmental Health and Safety (unmcehs@unmc.edu) or 402-559-6356

- UNMC Environmental Health and Safety (<https://www.unmc.edu/ehs/about/>)
- UNMC Environmental Health and Safety Policies, Plans and Guidelines (https://www.unmc.edu/ehs/safety/safety_policies_plans_guidelines.html)

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