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RELATED POLICY AND PROCEDURES:

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DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITY:

Administrative

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Administrative Responsibilities

It is the shared responsibility of the Facilities Management Director and the Campus Police and Security Director to review and revise this procedure in order to create and maintain a healthy, comfortable, and productive work and study environment for employees and students.

Definitions

- A. Smoking-the use of a burning tobacco product that results in the production of smoke.
- B. Smokeless tobacco products-chewing tobacco, snuff, and any other tobacco derivative.
- **C. Electronic Cigarettes-**battery-powered devices that heat liquid nicotine or other similar materials that produces a vapor that is inhaled.

Procedure

A. Guidelines

- 1. A brief version of this procedure appears in the Piedmont Technical College (PTC) catalog and other appropriate College publications.
- 2. PTC is a tobacco free campus and as such all smoking and the use of all smokeless tobacco products are prohibited.
- 2. Tobacco use is prohibited in College owned vehicles, even when off campus.

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3. A smoking cessation program is available through the <u>employee insurance plan</u> to assist employees and dependents.

B. Penalties

Any person who willfully violates the provisions of this policy is subject to the jurisdiction of the College Campus Police and Security Office.

- 1. College employees or students abusing this policy are subject to appropriate disciplinary action.
- 2. Students abusing this policy are subject to the provisions of the Student Code for the South Carolina Technical College System found in the PTC Student Handbook.
- 3. All complaints are sent to the Campus Police and Security Office.
- 4. The use of tobacco products and electronic cigarettes are prohibited on campus. Persons violating this policy may be issued a written ticket.
- 5. For employees that violate this policy, a report is sent by Campus Police and Security to Human Resources and the Business Office.
- 6. For students that violate this policy, a report is sent by Campus Police and Security Office to the Associate Dean of Students and the Business Office.