

Hood College Maintains a Drug-Free Campus

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Hood College continues to maintain a drug-free campus in compliance with county, state and federal regulations. The college has recently completed a biennial review that discusses the strategies and policies in place to maintain a campus free of drugs and abuse of illegal substances. [Click here](#) to review the link.

A state-mandated strategy to maintain a drug-free campus requires all public schools and institutions of higher education to begin stocking the drug Naloxone, more commonly known by its prescription name Narcan, and training staff on how to administer it. The Heroin and Opioid Education and Community Action Act of 2017, or the Start Talking Maryland Act, sets several requirements for schools in response to the continuing rise in opioid-related overdose deaths across the state.

The new bill includes a clause that exempts school nurses and other personnel from personal liability while responding to an emergency and the state's Good Samaritan law protects anyone who seeks or provides medical attention during an overdose.

This is what the Campus Safety and Security Staff, and Health Center Staff have done so far:

- Campus Safety and Health Center staff have been trained by Frederick County Behavioral Health Services to administer Naloxone (Narcan).
- Naloxone (Narcan) is kept in stock by Campus Safety and the Health Center.
- A policy and procedure for the administration of Naloxone (Narcan) has been developed.
- Opioid overdose awareness information will be provided to incoming students during orientation.
- The Director of Campus Safety (Chair) and the Director of Health Services (Co-chair) serve on the Drug & Alcohol Prevention Committee. If you are interested in joining the committee, please email the Director of Campus Safety at maynard@hood.edu.

What you can do to help: Attend free Overdose Response training offered at **1 p.m. every Friday** by **Frederick County Behavioral Health Services** - conveniently located at **300-B School's Lane, Frederick MD 21701**.
Telephone: 301-600-1775.

Contact the Ombudsperson-Dr. Jolene Sanders-email- ombuds@hood.edu

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You will find local resources for addiction treatment and Overdose Response training on this [link](#).