



Promote a smoke free environment

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Foreword

The Douglas Institute must comply with the *Act to amend the Tobacco Act and other legislative provisions*, 2005, Chapter 29, adopted June 16, 2005.

The Douglas Institute will take the most effective means to safeguard the health of employees, patients and visitors within its institution against exposure to environmental tobacco smoke.

The purpose of this policy is to institute a smoke-free work and living environment while respecting the choice of live-in patients to use tobacco in specially designated areas.

Definitions

Facilities maintained by the Douglas Institute: Any establishment or premises falling within the jurisdiction of the Douglas Institute with the exception of the non-institutional resources (NIR) that constitute dwellings (*residential housing*), i.e. where a person lives while housing others.

Statement

A: Smoking is prohibited inside the facilities maintained by the Douglas Institute including the housing facilities located outside the Hospital grounds (excluding those that constitute dwellings)

A.1 All individuals, with the exception of live-in patients (see A.2), are prohibited from smoking inside the facilities maintained by the Douglas Hospital;

A.2 Live-in patients may only smoke in the following areas:
Closed smoking rooms located on the care units and reserved exclusively for these live-in patients.

B: Smoking is prohibited inside the facilities maintained by the non-institutional resources

B.1 Our staff and our volunteers are prohibited from smoking inside the facilities maintained by the non-institutional resources (except those constituting dwellings).

C: Smoking is prohibited outside the facilities maintained by the Douglas Institute and in its intermediary resources

C.1 All individuals are prohibited from smoking outside a facility maintained by the Douglas Institute, within a 9-metre radius from any door leading to this facility;

C.2 All individuals are also prohibited from smoking outside the premises of a non-institutional resource, within a 9-metre radius from any door leading to these premises. However, the smoking ban does not apply if the NIR constitutes a dwelling;

C.3 If the 9-metre radius exceeds the boundaries of the facility maintained by the Hospital or the premises of a non-institutional resource (NIR), the smoking ban applies only to this boundary.

D: Roles and Responsibilities

D.1 The smoking ban is a formal policy and the Hospital will not tolerate any exceptions in this regard;

D.2 The clinical caregivers are responsible for implementing this policy for their clientele in a therapeutic context;

D.3 Each manager is responsible for ensuring the implementation of this policy.

D.4 The Douglas Institute requires its managers to ensure that this policy is known so that its terms are respected;

D.5 Any individual violating this policy will be subject to administrative or disciplinary measures, including possible dismissal, and will also be fined in accordance with the act.

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