



# **SMOKE FREE POLICY**

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Chitkara University acknowledges and supports the findings of the Surgeon General that tobacco use in any form, active and passive, is a significant health hazard. In light of these health risks, and in support of a safe and healthy learning and working environment, the Chitkara University has set the following 100 percent smoke-free campus policy to be implemented.

1. Smoking or use of other tobacco products is prohibited on all university grounds; University owned or leased properties; and campus-owned, leased or rented vehicles. This includes but is not limited to all university sidewalks, parking lots, landscaped areas and recreational areas; at lectures, conferences, meetings and social and cultural events held on University. Smoking is also prohibited in the interior of all buildings, university residences located on the university property, and vehicles owned or operated by the Chikara University.
2. Smoking materials must be extinguished and disposed of prior to entering Chitkara University or exiting your vehicle. Improper disposal includes but is not limited to:
  - a. Spitting smokeless tobacco product
  - b. Littering (i.e., discarded cigarette butts, throwing cigarette butts out of windows.
  - c. Anything that creates fire hazards
3. This policy applies to all faculty, staff, students, clients, contractors and visitors. The policy is in effect during and after campus hours. We also ask that no one smoke or use tobacco products in our surrounding neighborhoods. The university is committed to be a good neighbor in our campus communities, and that includes being mindful of litter, loitering, and second-hand smoke as a result of off-campus tobacco use.
4. The sale of tobacco products or tobacco-related merchandise (including items that display tobacco company logos) is prohibited in and on all university property and at all university-sponsored events, regardless of the vendor.
5. The free distribution or sampling of tobacco products and associated products is prohibited on all university property and at university-sponsored events, regardless of the venue.
6. Tobacco industry and related company sponsorship of campus events, including athletic events and athletes, is prohibited.
7. Campus officials, staff or other persons representing the campus including campus organizations shall not accept money or gifts or enter into any arrangement, association or partnership with representatives of tobacco companies, including sponsorship of campus events by organizations that promote tobacco use and/or allowing them to distribute free, reduced price or fully priced tobacco products (shirts, hats,



etc.) on campus.

8. Companies that manufacture or sell tobacco products are excluded from participating in campus career fairs or other vocational or recruitment activities.
9. Tobacco treatment programs should be publicized regularly in student and staff publications, posted in residence halls and academic buildings, through Student Services, Student Health Center and through other appropriate means.
10. Violators of the policy shall be issued a verbal reminder of the policy. If the offense continues, a second verbal warning will be issued. If this warning is ignored, a penalty will be issued. A campus telephone number and e-mail address will be promoted to report violations.
11. All students, faculty and staff share in the responsibility for adhering to and enforcing the policy. Campus officials, staff or other persons representing the campus including campus organizations shall not accept money or gifts or enter into any arrangement, association or partnership with representatives of tobacco companies, including:
12. Sponsorship of campus events by organizations that promote tobacco use and/or allowing them to distribute free, reduced price or fully priced tobacco products (shirts, hats, etc.) on campus.
13. All students, faculty and staff share in the responsibility for adhering to and enforcing the policy.