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The promotion and cultivation of long-term health and well-being for all is one of Dawson College's principal values and, as such, the College recognizes the importance of protecting its community members by reducing exposure to second-hand and third-hand smoke, reducing social exposure to smoking, and ensuring a safer, healthier and cleaner campus. This policy addresses the health issues posed by the incidence of smoking among young adults and by the exposure to tobacco smoke of smokers and non-smokers alike. To that end, the College is dedicated to creating a smoke-free environment on its entire campus and during academic activities that occur off the campus. To accompany this measure, the College will implement an education campaign to promote the benefits of a smoke-free lifestyle and will provide support to students and employees should they choose to quit smoking.

The Policy is subject to the following laws or policies:

Person:

any individual present on the campus of Dawson College, including students, employees, visitors and contractors.

Campus of Dawson College:

includes all the buildings, outbuildings, and grounds that comprise the College; temporary structures and shelters on the College's grounds; any vehicle parked on the College's grounds.

Third-hand smoke:

the residual nicotine and other chemicals left on indoor surfaces by tobacco smoke.

Tobacco and Related Products:

includes tobacco; cannabis (

any other product considered to be tobacco under a government regulation.

Cannabis:

Drug produced from the plant bearing the same name, which can be used in different forms such as dried cannabis, cannabis oil or fresh cannabis.

Academic activity that takes place off the campus: