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U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL YOKOSUKA POLICY STATEMENT "DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE"

The abuse of drugs by Navy personnel is prohibited. Drug abuse can seriously damage physical and mental health, jeopardize the personal safety or the safety of others, and severely detract from morale and esprit de corps. The Navy policy on drug abuse is clear: zero tolerance. Drug abusers will be subject to administrative actions, criminal prosecution, and may be discharged under less than honorable conditions.

Alcohol use is a major contributing factor to accidents and legal incidents throughout the Navy. The Navy policy on alcohol is "responsible use." As responsible users, all personnel must exercise good judgment and appropriately limit their consumption of alcoholic beverages. Being under the influence of alcohol does not excuse or mitigate the consequences of inappropriate behavior or misconduct.

To ensure the safety of our staff and patients, as well as to maintain mission capability, U.S. Naval Hospital, Yokosuka, Japan personnel are not permitted to consume alcoholic beverages during regular working hours, during breaks in the workday, or while in a duty status. Under no circumstances is it acceptable to be under the influence of alcohol while at work. Personnel under the legal drinking age may not consume alcoholic beverages at any time.

Neither drug nor alcohol abuse by U.S. Naval Hospital, Yokosuka, Japan staff will be tolerated. All officers, enlisted, and civilian personnel must lead by personal example. Appropriate administrative and disciplinary action will be taken in every alcohol and drug abuse case.

Additional information on alcohol and drug abuse programs is available in OPNAVINST 5350.4D or from the Command Drug and Alcohol Program Advisor.

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