

Smoking and Tobacco Use

1007.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Best Practice MODIFIED

This policy establishes limitations on smoking and the use of tobacco products by employees and others while on-duty or while in California Department of State Hospitals facilities or vehicles.

For the purposes of this policy, smoking and tobacco use includes, but is not limited to, any tobacco product, such as cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, snuff, tobacco pouches and chewing tobacco, as well as any device intended to simulate smoking, such as an electronic cigarette or personal vaporizer.

1007.2 POLICY

State MODIFIED

DSH recognizes that tobacco use is a health risk and can be offensive to others.

Smoking and tobacco use also presents an unprofessional image for the Department and its employees. Therefore smoking and tobacco use is prohibited by employees and visitors in all DSH facilities, buildings and vehicles, and as is further outlined in this policy (Gov. Code § 7597; Lab. Code § 6404.5).

1007.3 SMOKING AND TOBACCO USE

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Smoking and tobacco use by employees is prohibited anytime employees are in public view representing DSH.

It shall be the responsibility of all employees to ensure that no person under his/her supervision smokes or uses any tobacco product inside State facilities and vehicles.

1007.4 ADDITIONAL PROHIBITIONS

State MODIFIED

No person shall use tobacco products within 20 feet of a main entrance, exit or operable window of any public building (including any department facility), or buildings on the campuses of the University of California, California State University and California community colleges, whether present for training, enforcement or any other purpose (Gov. Code § 7596 et seq.).