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- I. TITLE: **No-Smoking Policy- Physicians and Non-Employees**
- II. PURPOSE: To provide general guidance and direction about an ECHN Smoke-Free Campus
- III. POLICY: Eastern Connecticut Health Network (ECHN) is dedicated to creating and maintaining a smoke-free environment for the benefit of patients and community members. This policy, which prohibits smoking throughout all buildings and on all properties owned, leased or maintained by ECHN. is intended to eliminate the potential for exposure to secondhand smoke and to create a smoke-free environment.
- IV. GENERAL GUIDELINES/PROCEDURE:
- A. In order to meet the policy and achieve the purpose, the following guidelines are in effect:
1. This policy applies to all physicians, allied health professionals, students, patients and visitors who come to the ECHN campus for the purpose of providing services, obtaining health services or visiting patients at one of the ECHN facilities.
 2. ECHN has posted signs indicating our smoke-free status throughout all buildings and on all properties owned, leased or maintained by ECHN. All sidewalks for which ECHN is responsible for snow removal (“maintained”) are covered by this policy.
 3. All physicians, allied health professionals, students, patients and visitors are not allowed to smoke in their vehicles when these vehicles are parked in properties owned, leased or maintained by ECHN.
 4. Employees and non-employees who encounter physicians, allied health professionals, patients and visitors who are smoking on ECHN property may, if they wish, remind that individual in a cordial manner of the ECHN smoking policy or they may use the pre-printed courtesy cards which remind the violators of the non-smoking policy and encourage compliance. The courtesy cards may be obtained at the Information Desk.
 5. Non-compliance by a physician or allied health professional should be reported to the Department of Medical Affairs. The Department of Medical Affairs will follow-up with the appropriate Medical Staff leader to address compliance. Continued non-compliance may result in appropriate corrective action as outlined in the ECHN Medical Staff Bylaws.

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V. ATTACHMENTS: None.

VI. INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBLE FOR REVISIONS: Sr. Vice President, Human Resources

VII. ORIGINATED: 03/2008

Reviewed, No Revisions:

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VIII. CROSS REFERENCE: Human Resources Policies and Procedure Manual
Policy # 609; No Smoking Policy

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