



National University of Health Sciences General Policies

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POLICY STATEMENT

It is the responsibility of National University of Health Sciences (NUHS) to oppose gambling, including legalized gambling, and to expressly prohibit it as a University sponsored or University related activity.

It is the mission of NUHS to provide and promote conservative health care education, research and service to our students, to the profession and to the community. It is inconsistent with the mission of the University to sponsor a gambling event as a fundraising strategy.

In the health care community, gambling and the excesses which often accompany this activity are regarded as a disease which is technically classified as an "Impulse-Control Disorder" in the fourth edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders.

Gambling is closely associated with high-risk disorders such as substance abuse and other antisocial behavior which disrupts personal, family, and/or vocational pursuits. To profit from those who are afflicted with a compulsion-driven disease, is, for health care providers, exploitation of people who are unable to control themselves and is considered unethical.