

The University of Texas at Dallas **Responsible Action Program (RAP)**

Intent:

The University recognizes that in an alcohol-induced medical emergency, there could be circumstances where the potential for disciplinary action by the University may act as a barrier to students seeking medical assistance for themselves and/or others.

Description:

Under the RAP, students who have sought emergency medical assistance for themselves or others will not face formal disciplinary action from the Dean of Students Office if they follow the following guidelines:

- Student(s) calls 911 when alcohol poisoning is present or suspected.
- **Student must be the first person to call and remain on the scene until medical assistance arrives.**
- Involved student(s) will be referred to the Dean of Students Office.
- Student(s) will be evaluated for inclusion in the RAP provided the call for help takes place prior to police and/or staff involvement.
- Students eligible for the RAP program will still be required to participate in an educational component and may be referred for an individual assessment; however, they will not face formal disciplinary action.
- Students in the RAP who decline or fail to attend the educational component or assessment will become subject to formal disciplinary action.

Note:

- RAP does not extend to other violations that may occur incidentally to any of the alcohol-related violations nor will it be applicable if hazing is suspected.
- RAP only applies to the University discipline process. **In addition, SB 1331 (911 Lifeline Law) states that a person under 21 calling for help for himself or another will not be cited for possessing or consuming alcohol. Further, the immunity for minors is limited to the first person who calls for assistance, only if he or she stays on the scene and cooperates with law enforcement and medical personnel.**