

University of California, San Diego
TRITONS ACT (Actively Caring for Tritons)
Responsible Action Protocol

I. Purpose

The Responsible Action Protocol (*Protocol*) has been developed with the intention of reducing the dangers associated with the overconsumption of alcohol and/or controlled substances, removing barriers to seeking medical assistance and promoting community wellbeing and safety. This *Protocol* is part of TRITONS ACT, which is UC San Diego's comprehensive Bystander Intervention Model, working to support the well-being of all students and specifically targeting the reduction of relationship violence, stalking, sexual assault, and the overconsumption of alcohol and/or misuse of controlled substances.

II. Protocol

A. Students receiving medical assistance in an alcohol or controlled substance medical-related emergency and students initiating medical assistance will not be subject to the formal student conduct process if all of the following apply:

1. The student requests OR another person contacts a House Advisor/Resident Advisor or other University Official (e.g. Police Officer, Residential Security Officer, etc.) for medical assistance on behalf of a student experiencing an alcohol or controlled substance medical-related emergency;
2. No other major Student Conduct Code violations (including, but not limited to, disorderly conduct, distribution of controlled substances, hazing, physical assault, vandalism, etc.) were committed by the student during the same incident; AND
3. The student has not received protection under this *Protocol* more than once in a two calendar year period.

B. The student in need of medical assistance will be referred by the Office of Student Conduct to meet with their Dean of Student Affairs or his/her designee and to discuss his/her participation in an appropriate educational program (e.g. CARRS, Pro-SAFE, etc.) in a timely manner. Participation in any educational program as a result of a meeting with the student's Dean or his/her designee will not be noted on the student's conduct record. However, when a student is involved in an additional alcohol or controlled substance medical-related emergency within two calendar years after receiving protection under this *Protocol*, the subsequent incident will be treated as a second offense and will not be eligible for protection.

C. Records of all reports addressed by this *Protocol* will be maintained by the Office of Student Conduct.

D. Students from the School of Medicine and Skaggs School of Pharmacy are eligible for protection under this *Protocol*. However, they may also be subject to discipline by the respective school for violating school-specific professional conduct policies relating to the use of alcohol and/or controlled substances.

E. Nothing in this *Protocol* will prevent an individual who is obligated by local, state or federal law from reporting, charging or taking other action related to the possible criminal prosecution of any student or non-affiliate.

III. Student Organizations

A. Student organization members hosting events are expected to seek prompt medical assistance in an alcohol or controlled substance medical-related emergency. When student organization members use this protocol, the organization will not be processed through the student conduct process. Principal members of student organizations may be required to meet with the Director of Student Conduct or his/her designee or the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Life or his/her designee and the organization may be required to participate in an appropriate educational program in a timely manner.

B. Participation in an appropriate educational program as a result of this *Protocol* will not be included in the student organization's conduct record. No student organization may receive protection under this protocol more than once during a calendar year.