Northeast Contemporary Services, Inc. Drug and Alcohol Prohibition Policy

I. Policy

It is the policy of this DHS licensed provider (program) to support a workplace free from the effects of drugs, alcohol, chemicals, and abuse of prescription medications. This policy applies to all of our employees, subcontractors, volunteers, and others.

II. Procedures

- A. All employees, subcontractors, volunteers, and others must be free from the abuse of prescription medications or being in any manner under the influence of a chemical that impairs their ability to provide services or care.
- B. The consumption of alcohol is prohibited while directly responsible for persons receiving services, or on our property (owned or leased), or in our vehicles, machinery, or equipment (owned or leased), and will result in corrective action up to and including termination.
- C. Being under the influence of a controlled substance identified under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 152, or alcohol, or illegal drugs in any manner that impairs or could impair one's ability to provide care or services to persons receiving services is prohibited and will result in corrective action up to and including termination.
- D. The use, sale, manufacture, distribution, or possession of illegal drugs while providing care or to persons receiving services, or on our property (owned or leased), or in our vehicles, machinery, or equipment (owned or leased), will result in corrective action up to and including termination.
- E. Any employee, subcontractor, volunteer, and other convicted of criminal drug use or activity must notify the Executive Director no later than five (5) days after the conviction.
- F. Criminal conviction for the sale of narcotics, illegal drugs, or controlled substances will result in corrective action up to and including termination.
- G. The program's designated staff person will notify the appropriate law enforcement agency when there is reasonable suspicion to believe that an employee, subcontractor, volunteer, or other may have illegal drugs in their possession while on duty during work hours. Where appropriate, licensing boards will also be notified.

Legal Authority: MS § 245A.04, subd. 1 (c) and 14