Rights and duties of students concerning the safety and fire fighting regulations

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Rights and duties of students, laboratory technicians, academics, and the NCU authorities in Toruń and the University Hospital No 1 in Bydgoszcz in terms of health and safety at work and place of learning as well as fire regulations in laboratory classes are stipulated in the Labour Code (Journal of Laws [Dz.U] of 1998, No. 21, item. 94 as amended) and the Regulation of the Minister of National Education (Journal of Laws [Dz.U.] of1998, No. 37, item. 209). The aforementioned legal provisions include basic rules and regulations, the knowledge of which is essential.

Students' rights:

1. Upon commencement of studies, students are entitled to undergo health and safety, and fire trainings.

2. If conditions occurring during laboratory classes do not comply with health and safety and fire conditions, and pose a direct threat to the health or life of the student, or if activities undertaken by the student are a threat to other persons, the student has the right to refrain from performing a given task, immediately informing the instructor about this fact and explaining the underlying reasons.

3. The University is committed to providing students with necessary personal protective equipment while taking part in classes at the operating room or emergency rooms, and at other premises where personal and protective clothing, i.e., gowns and footwear are insufficient. It is also committed to providing – in accordance with the type of classes and specific nature of activities to be performed - good lighting and ventilation, sufficient heating, and the access to water and sanitation facilities.

Students' duties:

1. The student should have the knowledge of health, safety and fire regulations and should comply with them.

2. The student should perform tasks in accordance with the guidelines given, concurrently with the compliance with the class rules, and should follow instructions and orders given by the instructor.

3. The student should take care of appropriate conditions of their class training place, laboratory equipment and personal protective equipment, and use the above in line with their intended purpose.

4. The student should immediately notify the instructor of an accident or a threat to human life or health as well as warn other persons of potential danger.

5. The student should not hide any traces of the causes of accidents.

6. The student is required to perform the task given conscientiously and carefully, and follow the task-related instructions of superiors provided these instructions are not contrary to provisions of the law.

7. The student is obliged to observe the time schedule set by the Department.

8. The student should follow the Rules of the NCU Rector as well as the organisational orderrelated regulations at the Department.

9. The student should ensure the best interest of the Department, protect its property and keep any information confidential, the disclosure of which could put the Department at risk of incurring losses.

10. The student should keep confidentiality specified in separate regulations.

11. The student should observe the rules of social coexistence.

12. The student should cooperate with class instructors, laboratory technicians and other students in fulfilling obligations relating to health, safety and fire, and particularly to participate in helping persons injured in an accident, calling emergency, police, in informing the authorities on securing the accident site, putting warning signs and bringing a medical ambulance to the site of the accident.

NOTE:

While calling emergency services (dialling 112 from mobile phones) the following procedure should be observed:

Rights and duties of students pertaining to health, safety and fire regulations consist in:

- specifying the site of the accident
- specifying the case
- giving the number of victims
- providing personal data
- answering the questions asked
- remembering instructions given

In case of fire, fire regulations binding at the University Hospital No 1 in Bydgoszcz should be followed.