

The BACCHUS Network™ Peer Educator Code of Ethics

I value and know my role as a peer educator.

In order to best fulfill that role, I will

- *Grant individuals respect and dignity.*
- *Honor and strive to understand diversity in all its forms.*
- *Recognize that, through patience and understanding, every person is constantly growing and learning.*

I value and know my role as a friend.

In order to best fulfill that role, I will

- *Offer opportunities for people to explore their thoughts and feelings.*
- *Offer myself as a link between students and the professional services on campus.*
- *Not manipulate any situation or another person's vulnerability for my own benefit.*
- *Maintain confidentiality, except when, to my best judgment, the person is in physical or mental danger which could result in self-harm, or harm to others, has a problem beyond my ability to assist, or discloses information which I must report according to law or campus policy.*

I value and know my role as an educator .

In order to best fulfill that role, I will

- *Learn as much as possible about the issues that affect my peers.*
- *Only offer information that I am qualified to offer and with the greatest accuracy possible.*
- *Accept feedback and support from my advisor or other professional staff.*

I value and know my role as an activist.

In order to best fulfill that role, I will

- *Refuse to be a bystander.*
- *Confront unhealthy attitudes and behaviors.*
- *Work to change the campus and community environment to promote healthy choices.*

I value and know my role as a role model.

In order to best fulfill that role, I will

- *Make decisions in my own life that are positive and healthy.*
- *Challenge myself to continue my own physical, mental, spiritual and emotional growth.*
- *Accept guidance and confrontation from others who care about me.*

I value and know my role as a team member.

In order to best fulfill that role, I will

- *Accept supervision and support from my advisor.*
- *Commit to actively participating in the peer education group.*
- *Support and encourage my fellow peer educators.*

I value and know my role as an individual

In order to best fulfill that role, I will

- *Understand that my primary responsibility is to myself.*
- *Not allow my peer education duties to interfere with my own goals and aspirations.*
- *Not allow my peer educator duties to put my emotional or physical well being at risk.*

I value and know who I am.

**I am an individual, a friend, an educator,
an activist, a role model, and a team member.**

I am a peer educator.

Name (Print and Signature)

Date

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