

Substance Abuse

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At its May 1990 meeting, the Board adopted minimum standards for institutional comprehensive drug and alcohol abuse plans. In response to the Oregon Student Lobby's testimony on that topic, the Board directed staff to draft a policy statement on substance abuse indicating the Board's preference for education, prevention, and treatment programs. The following policy statement was presented to the Board and adopted at the subsequent meeting:

The Board recognizes that substance abuse is a serious problem currently facing society and, likewise, affecting students and employees of the Oregon University System. It is the policy of the Board to encourage current efforts that each institution is making to eliminate this problem. The Board believes that the System's most effective response to these problems is through education, prevention, and treatment programs.