## State of Kansas/Pittsburg State University (385) SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY - AFFIRMATION FORM Statement of Policy

Employees are the State of Kansas' most valuable resource and, therefore, their health and safety is a serious concern. The State of Kansas will not tolerate substance abuse or use which imperils the health and well-being of its employees or threatens its service to the public. Furthermore, employees have a right to work in an environment free of substance abuse and with persons free from the effects of drug or alcohol abuse. It shall therefore be the policy of the State of Kansas to maintain a workforce free of substance abuse.

- A. Reporting to work or performing work for the state while impaired by or under the influence of drugs or alcohol is prohibited.
- B. The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace, or while the employee is on duty, official state business or stand-by duty.
- C. Violation of such prohibitions by an employee is considered conduct detrimental to state service and may result in a referral to the Employee Assistance Program or discipline in accordance with K.S.A. 75-2949d and K.A.R. 1-10-6, or other appropriate administrative regulations.
- D. Employees are required by federal law to notify the employing state agency head in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction.
  - (1) An employee who is convicted of violating any criminal drug statute in such workplace situations as stated above will be subject to discipline in accordance with K.S.A. 75-2949d and K.A.R. 1-10-6, or other appropriate administrative regulations.
  - (2) A conviction means a finding of guilt (including a plea of nolo contendre) or the imposition of a sentence by a judge or jury, or both, in any federal or state court.
- E. Agencies that receive federal grants or contracts must, in return, notify federal granting agencies in writing, within ten calendar days of receiving notice from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification numbers(s) of each affected grant.
- F. Employees will be given a copy of the Substance Abuse Policy. Employees will be informed that they must abide by the terms of the policy as a condition of employment and of the consequences of any violation of such policy. The Substance Abuse Policy Affirmation Form is optional for current employees to read and sign. The Substance Abuse Policy Affirmation Form may be used as a means to notify current employees and provide them with a copy of the policy.

## **Affirmation of Policy**

As an employee for the State of Kansas, I affirm that I have read and understand the meaning of the above Substance Abuse Policy. I am aware of the provisions of this policy which is mandated by the Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act, and that a violation of this policy will result in disciplinary action as stated above.

Name of Employee:	SSN:
Employee Signature:	Date:
PSU Representative:	Date:
Distribution: Original to employee personnel file.	