



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY  
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Senate Resolution 23.19

(Stating the sentiments of the TTUHSC Student Senate regarding an IPE Symposium pertaining to medication misuse, abuse, and neglect in conjunction with the TTUHSC Medication Cleanout Events.)

WHEREAS, the mission of the TTUHSC Office of Interprofessional Education is to inspire and transform future healthcare professionals through collaborative learning of interprofessional methods in student education, faculty development, and preceptor training in order to advance the overall health and well-being of the West Texas community and beyond; and,

WHEREAS, the Interprofessional Education (IPE) Fall Symposium is an annual event hosted by the Office of Interprofessional Education for all TTUHSC students, faculty, staff, and guests that provides an opportunity to learn about, from, and with one another to enable effective collaboration and improve health outcomes; and,

WHEREAS, the IPE Fall Symposium exists as a significant event among the TTUHSC community as 1,800 faculty, students, and staff attended the 2021 IPE Fall Symposium across all TTUHSC campuses; and,

WHEREAS, proper medication disposal is an important topic for all healthcare professionals, as poisonings are the leading cause of preventable injury deaths and are the fourth leading cause of preventable nonfatal injuries in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, safe disposal of expired medications aids in minimizing the risk associated with essential medications and life threatening complications that result from self-medicating with leftover medication; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Medication Cleanout events hosted on the Abilene, Amarillo, and Lubbock campuses is to prevent medication related poisonings, abuse, and misuse by collecting and properly disposing of expired or unused medication; and,

WHEREAS, since the first Medication Cleanout event in 2009 there have been 80 Medication Cleanout events, with more than 75,000 pounds of unwanted medication and sharps safely disposed, exhibiting the significant impact these events have on our communities; and,

WHEREAS, hosting a symposium regarding medication misuse, abuse, and neglect in conjunction with the Medication Cleanout Events aligns with the TTUHSC's overarching goal for IPE to prepare all health professional students for deliberately and collaboratively working together to reach a common goal of well-coordinated, high quality patient-centered care; and,

WHEREAS, a symposium regarding medication misuse, abuse, and neglect in conjunction with the Medication Cleanout Events has the potential to move activity beyond the classroom and promote collaborative practices that would allow participants to link their own professional roles with students, faculty, and preceptors in other professions in order to promote teamwork for safe, quality, and cost-effective care regarding medication disposal; and, therefore,

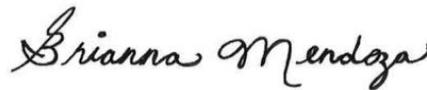
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Student Senate of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center supports the adoption of an IPE Symposium pertaining to medication misuse, abuse, and neglect in conjunction with the TTUHSC Medication Cleanout Events; and therefore,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the Journal and that copies be sent to **Lori Rice-Spearman Ph.D**, President, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center; **Darrin D'Agostino, D.O., MPH, MBA**, Provost and Chief Academic Officer, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center; **Gerard E. Carrino, Ph.D., MPH**, Dean of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) Julia Jones Matthews School of Population and Public Health; **Grace M. Kuo PharmD, MPH, PHd, FCCP, FNAP**, Dean and Professor, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Jerry H. Hodge School of Pharmacy; **Renee Bogenschutz Ph.D.**, Managing Director, Office of Interprofessional Education; **Michelle Kiser Ed.D.**, Assistant Managing Director, Office of Interprofessional Education; **Danette Weller MS**, Program Manager, Office of Interprofessional Education; **Mary Harris MA**, Program Manager, Office of Interprofessional Education; **Qi Liu PhD.**, Instructional Designer, Office of Interprofessional Education; **Charles Seifert Pharm.D.**, TTUHSC Institutional IPE Steering Committee; Jerry H. Hodge School of Pharmacy; **Eric J. MacLaughlin, Pharm.D.**, Chair and Professor, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Jerry H. Hodge School of Pharmacy Department of Pharmacy Practice; **Jeanie Shawhart, Pharm.D.**, Assistant Professor, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Jerry H. Hodge School of Pharmacy, Director, Medication Cleanout, Managing Director, Texas Panhandle Poison Center; **Ronica Farrar**, Educator, Texas Panhandle Poison Center; **Arianna Flores**, Editor of *The Daily Toreador*, and to the students of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

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