

MEDICAL AMNESTY 101

WHAT:

MEDICAL AMNESTY REFERS TO:

An immunity from prosecution for the underage consumption of alcohol for someone who calls 911 in the event of a medical emergency.

WHO:

MEDICAL AMNESTY EXTENDS TO:

The person in need of medical attention, the person who calls 911 for help and up to 2 additional people helping.

HOW:

IN ORDER FOR MEDICAL AMNESTY TO APPLY, A PERSON MUST DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. Be the first person to reach out for help
- 2. Provide a name, contact information, and medical reason
- 3. Stay on the scene with the person until help arrives
- 4. Cooperate with authorities at the scene

TL;DR



No matter what your age, if you are drinking and need medical attention, safety is the priority. You and your friends may be immune from prosecution. So **call 911 immediately.**

Frequently Asked Questions:

If I transport the person to the hospital does medical amnesty still apply?

No, the procedure mandates the person who finds the intoxicated individual calls 911, this individual is the first person to make such contact, and this individual provides contact information and they remain on the scene until assistance arrives.

If I reach out to my CA for help and they call 911 for me, does medical amnesty still apply?

Yes. If you are the first to reach out for help, medical amnesty will apply, regardless of who makes the call.

Does this law coincide with campus policy?

Medical Amnesty is a state statute, not an institutional policy.

If I do receive a minor or citation from the police, what should my next steps be?

Contact University Student Legal Services for legal assistance. They are located in 160 West Bank Skyway.

For more information visit: safe-u.umn.edu/alcohol-emergencies



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