

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER

Senate Resolution 23.13

(Stating the sentiments of the TTUHSC Student Senate regarding the TTUHSC Student Government Association Community Service Committee's commitment to serving the Abilene, Amarillo, and Lubbock communities through the TTUHSC Medication Cleanout events.)

WHEREAS, Medication Cleanout is an event hosted on the TTUHSC campuses in Abilene, Amarillo, and Lubbock that has continuously grown since its inception in 2009; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Medication Cleanout events is to prevent medication related poisonings, abuse, and misuse by collecting and properly disposing of expired or unused medications; 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; and,

WHEREAS, the support of TTUHSC Student Government Association can contribute to the rapid growth of the Medication Cleanout events by increasing and creating unique volunteering opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, the Medication Cleanout Events exemplify the TTUHSC Values of "One Team" and "Beyond Service" by fostering interprofessional relationships between students in different programs at TTUHSC and investing in the well-being of our communities; and,

WHEREAS, TTUHSC Student Government Association Senators exist as leaders amongst the TTUHSC student body by promoting community service and inspiring their respective constituents to strive for honor; and,

WHEREAS, community service is a core value of TTUHSC Student Government Association, as the Community Service Committee is charged with informing fellow students of upcoming service events that give back to our society in a way that is inclusive of the entire study body; and,

WHEREAS, the Medication Cleanout events expand upon TTUHSC's interprofessional core curriculum by finding and promoting opportunities for students to work alongside other programs outside a work environment, thus enhancing cohesion between programs down the road, while also giving back to West Texas communities; and,

WHEREAS, the TTUHSC Community Service Committee can serve as leaders in expanding student involvement in the Medication Cleanout events by increasing awareness among Student Government Association and among constituents, promoting the event, and recruiting student volunteers from the TTUHSC; and therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the TTUHSC Student Senate formally supports increasing awareness of the bi-annual Medication Cleanout Events for both our constituents and our community members in order to help the Medication Cleanout events improve their marketing, recruit more volunteers, and continue to make a significant impact in our communities.

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, Grace M. Kuo PharmD, MPH, PhD, FCCP, FNAP, Dean and Professor, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center 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, Steven Lee Berk, M.D., Executive Vice President for Clinical Affairs, Dean, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Medicine, Michael Evans, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FACHE, FAAN, Dean, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Nursing, Dawndra Sechrist, OTR, PhD, Dean, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Health Professions, Brandt L. Schneider, PhD, Dean, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, Gerard E. Carrino, PhD, MPH, Dean of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Julia Jones Matthews School of Population and Public Health; Arianna Flores, Editor-in-Chief of The Daily Toreador, and to the students of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

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