NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT

Date: November 9, 2009

REGULATION TITLE:  
No Smoking and Tobacco Use

REGULATION NO.:  
UF 2.022

SUMMARY:  This regulation, which becomes effective upon approval for the J. Hillis Miller Health Center and on July 1, 2010, for the remainder of the University campus, prohibits smoking as well as the use of smokeless tobacco and electronic devices intended to simulate smoking on the University of Florida campus. The University of Florida campus includes all lands occupied or controlled by the University located in Alachua County and the City of Jacksonville as well as lands occupied or controlled by fraternities and sororities recognized by the University and any lands in the State of Florida on which there is a health care facility occupied or controlled by the University.

AUTHORITY:  BOG Regulation 1.001

COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED REGULATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. The comments must identify the regulation you are commenting on.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION IS: Rebecca J. Holt, Administrative Assistant, 123 Tigert Hall, Post Office Box 113125, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida 32611, 352-392-1358 office, 352-392-4387 facsimile, regulations@ufl.edu.

NAME OF PERSON WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED REGULATION: Paula Fussell, Vice President for Human Resources

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED REGULATION IS ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE.
REGULATIONS OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

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(1) For the purpose of this regulation, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) “University campus” or “campus” shall include those lands located in Alachua County, Florida, occupied or controlled by the University of Florida; those lands located in the City of Jacksonville, Florida, occupied or controlled by the University of Florida; any other lands in the State of Florida on which a health care facility occupied or controlled by the University of Florida is located; and lands occupied or controlled by any fraternity or sorority officially recognized by the University of Florida.

(b) “Smoking” means inhaling, exhaling, burning, carrying or possessing any lighted tobacco product, including cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, and any other lighted tobacco products.

(c) “Tobacco use” means the personal use of any tobacco product, whether intended to be lighted or not, which shall include smoking, as defined in paragraph (b) above; the use of an electronic cigarette or any other device intended to simulate smoking; and the use of smokeless tobacco, including snuff, chewing tobacco, smokeless pouches, any other form of loose-leaf, smokeless tobacco and the use of unlit cigarettes, cigars, and pipe tobacco.

(2) Tobacco use is prohibited in all areas of the University campus.

(3) All facilities occupied or controlled by the University that are not on the University campus continue to be designated no smoking facilities. The President or designee
may allow smoking in specific designated areas of campus for clinical treatment purposes, including smoking cessation programs or research-related purposes.

(4) Enforcement of this regulation is the responsibility of the person in charge of the facility or area in use. If a student refuses to comply with the policy, the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs should be contacted. If a staff or faculty member refuses to comply with this policy, the immediate supervisor must be notified. A smoking cessation program is available to students, faculty, and staff at the Student Health Care Center.

Authority: BOG Regulation 1.001.

History: New______.

Effective date: Upon approval for the J. Hillis Miller Health Center and July 1, 2010 for the remainder of the University campus.