



Policy Brief

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7.25 Controlled Substances and Dangerous Drugs

Responsible Department(s): Research Compliance & Regulatory Affairs, Environmental Health & Safety (main campus and EPC), Emory Policy Dept.

Scope:

- **Summary**

This Policy establishes the processes for the authorization, procurement, storage, control, and disposal of all *Dangerous Drugs and Controlled Substances* for research purposes, as required by the applicable laws and regulations.

- **Applicability**

This Policy covers all persons at Emory who conduct *Research* that includes using *Controlled Substances or Dangerous Drugs*.

How to Comply with the Policy

A person subject to this policy is required to:

- Obtain appropriate licenses with the Georgia Board of Pharmacy (GBP) and Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for Dangerous Drugs and Controlled Substances before their use for research.
- Keep records of the use of the drug, who has access, how the drug is acquired and how it is destroyed.
- Ensure that the drugs are only used in research in which they are involved.
- Store the drugs in the GBP (GDNA) and DEA approved storage location when not in use. The drug should be stored in the approved location daily (or at the end of the day).

Noncompliance with the Policy

Noncompliance with the policy or applicable laws and regulations could subject you to the following consequences:

- Immediate loss of the ability to conduct research that includes the use of Controlled Substances or Dangerous Drugs.
- Immediate loss of the ability to use Emory facilities to conduct research that includes the use of Controlled Substances or Dangerous Drugs.
- Disciplinary action being taken against that person, up to and including termination of employment or dismissal from academic programs and
- Referral for prosecution by law enforcement officials.