

School of Medicine Greenville

Policy Title

Animals on Campus

Identifier

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LCME Standards

N/A

Scope

University of South Carolina (UofSC) School of Medicine Greenville faculty, staff, and students

Policy Statement

Support the use of service animals while also recognizing the health and safety risks created by unrestrained animals on campus.

Reason for Policy

To provide guidelines for bringing pets onto the UofSC School of Medicine Greenville campus

Procedures

Service animals are permitted on UofSC School of Medicine Greenville campus grounds and within the UofSC School of Medicine Greenville building if they are provided to an individual with a documented disability. This practice follows the GHS Service Animal Policy and regulations set forth by the American with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA).

Emotional Support Animals (ESA) may also be permitted when an ESA letter written by a Licensed Mental Health Professional is provided. The ESA letter must be reviewed by a supervisor (Office of Student Affairs for students) and Facilities Manager prior to approval.

All other animals are allowed on exterior grounds but not within the buildings or food establishments. All animals must be leashed, licensed and under the complete control of their owners or handlers at all times. Animals may not

be tied or left unattended at any time. Owners and handlers are responsible for the removal and disposal of all excrement deposited by their animals.

For clarity, the UofSC School of Medicine Greenville grounds are defined as all walkways, green spaces, roadways and parking areas surrounding the UofSC School of Medicine Greenville building.

Licensing requirements can be found at the following: https://www.greenvillesc.gov/541/Animal-Control.

The UofSC School of Medicine Greenville Facilities team will take responsibility to protect or remove the animals in a situation where they may be in or pose imminent danger. Individuals may speak with the Facilities Manager for clarification or questions

Sanctions

Failure to comply may result in disciplinary actions.

Contacts

Executive Director, Business Operations and Finance Facilities Manager

Related Information

GHS Pet Visitation Policy S-050-30 GHS Service Animal Policy S-050-28

History

Date of Change	Change
July 2019	Editorial changes made due to branding updates and titles, formal approval not
	required.
June 2018	Policy formalized into standardized template, LCME CQI