

CHAPTER 92

AN ACT concerning substance abuse recovery housing programs and supplementing chapter 3B of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

C.18A:3B-70 Substance abuse recovery housing programs at certain institutions of higher education.

1. a. Within four years after the effective date of this act, each four-year public institution of higher education, in which at least 25% of the undergraduate students live in on-campus housing, shall establish a substance abuse recovery housing program. The purpose of the program shall be to provide a supportive substance-free dormitory environment that recognizes the unique risks and challenges that recovering students face, and that provides support programs to recovering students who reside in the recovery housing to assist their efforts to remain substance-free. The program shall include on-site counseling, mentoring, peer support, and other appropriate services. An institution may designate a floor, wing, or other designated area within a dormitory building for the substance abuse recovery housing program, and shall not be required to designate an entire dormitory building for the program.

b. The institution shall apply for any federal, State, corporate, or other grant funding that may be available to implement the substance abuse recovery housing program.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved August 10, 2015.