Policy 7.16
Policy Opposing Sex Trafficking and Prostitution

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Overview

Title 22, Chapter 78, “Trafficking Victims Protection” (Sections 7101-7112) sets forth United States statutes regarding
the prevention of and prohibition against trafficking in persons. These statutes, and regulations promulgated under
these statutes, require federal grant recipients and contractors to prohibit the use of research funds received from
federal sources for the promotion of prohibited trafficking activity.

This Policy Statement sets for Emory University’s opposition to the following forms of illicit behavior: prostitution and
sex trafficking. This Policy Statement also prohibits the use of the research funds for promoting or advocating such
behavior.

Applicability

This policy applies to all researchers at Emory University and all employees or students who assist these researchers
in performing tasks related to their research.

Policy Details
Emory University is opposed to Prostitution and Sex Trafficking and prohibits the use of any Research Funds to promote or advocate the practice of or legalization of Prostitution or Sex Trafficking.

Emory recognizes that when it receives research funds from a federal grant, contract, or cooperative agreements, then neither it nor its subgrantees or subcontractors under such federal grant, contract or cooperative agreement, may engage in, or use labor recruiters, brokers or other agents who engage in, the types of conduct set forth in 22 USC 7104(g) (e.g., trafficking in persons, use of forced labor, procurement of Commercial Sex Act, etc.) in the performance of the grant, contract or cooperative agreement. Further, for certain grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements with an estimated value of services to be performed outside the United States of $500,000 or more, Emory recognizes that it may be required to put in place a compliance plan and associated procedures in place to prevent, monitor and detect such conduct on the part of employees, subcontractors, or subgrantees, in accordance with 22 USC 7104a.

Definitions

**Commercial Sex Act:** Any sex act on account of which anything of value is given to or received by any person. [See 22 U.S.C. Section 7102(3)].

**Prostitution:** Any activity in which a person performs or offers or consents to perform a sexual act, including, but not limited to sexual intercourse or sodomy for money or other items of value. [See O.C.G.A. Section 16-6-7].

**Research Funds:** Funds of any type received by Emory University, or provided by Emory University, for the purpose supporting any type of research carried on by the University, its employees, students, contractors, subcontractors or affiliates.

**Sex Trafficking:** Recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision or obtaining of a person for the purpose of a Commercial Sex Act. [See 22 U.S.C. Section 7102(9)].

Related Links

- Current Version of This Policy: [http://policies.emory.edu/7.16](http://policies.emory.edu/7.16)

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