Commitment to Safety, Health and Environmental Protection

Vanderbilt University will support and maintain a strong commitment to safety, health, and environmental protection through:

- Assuring compliance with federal, state, and local safety, health, and environmental requirements;
- Minimizing hazards, reducing pollution and continuously improving our practices regarding safety, health, and environmental protection;
- Empowering our faculty, staff, and students to demonstrate individual and institutional leadership in all matters pertaining to safety, health, and environmental protection while preserving academic freedom in research and education and evidence-based practices in patient care;
- Protecting and maintaining safe and secure facilities for teaching, patient care, research, living, and work;
- Emphasizing open communication with our community regarding safety, health, and environmental issues;
- Instilling the values of environmental stewardship and conservation of resources in our future leaders.

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