

Threat Assessment and the Threat Assessment Team

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Objectives

This procedure applies directly to Policy 7100, Safety and Security.

This procedure establishes a process to identify, assess and address at-risk behaviours or threats that could possibly result in violence or harm to the Campus Community, property or assets.

This procedure describes the BCIT Threat Assessment Team (TAT) and their processes to:

- Receive concerns from the BCIT Community relating to at-risk behaviours, abusive, threatening, violent, or intimidating behavior
- Assess all reports of at-risk behaviour or threats relating to BCIT or its community
- Make appropriate recommendations and take appropriate responsive steps to respond to at-risk behaviours, abusive, threatening, violent, or intimidating behavior and their effects.

Who This Procedure Applies To

This procedure applies to BCIT students, employees, contractors, and other persons who visit Institute grounds, buildings, or other facilities.

Related Documents

Legislation

Workers' Compensation Act, RSBC 1996, c 492 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, RSBC 1996, c 165

BCIT Policies

1500, Code of Conduct

5102, Student Code of Conduct (non-academic)

6700, Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy

7100, Safety and Security

7103, Sexual Violence and Misconduct

7110, Emergency Management

7130, Filming on Campus

714-, Travel - Risk and Security

7150, Occupational Health and Safety

7170, Protection of Equipment and Property

7200, Cannabis Use

7504, Liquor Consumption on Campus

7507, Harassment and Discrimination

BCIT Procedures

5102-PR1, Response to Violations of the Student Code of Conduct (non-academic)

7100-PR1, Response to Abusive or Threatening Behaviour

7103-PR1, Response to Sexual Violence and Misconduct

Roles and Responsibilities

Director, Safety, Security and Emergency Management ("Director")

- A. The Director is responsible for managing BCIT's response to abusive, threatening, violent, or intimidating behaviour, and managing communications with the appropriate police force depending on which campus is affected by the incident.
- B. The Director will ensure that all appropriate recommendations are made to the President to ensure BCIT is well-prepared to respond to potential abusive, threatening, violent, or intimidating incidents.
- C. The Director will ensure the members of the Threat Assessment Team receive appropriate training to fulfill their role on the Team.

The Threat Assessment Team

- A. The members of the Threat Assessment Team are the Director of Safety, Security and Emergency Management and other members appointed to the Team by the President from time to time. The President may receive the advice and recommendations of the Director regarding appropriate appointments to the Team.
- B. The Threat Assessment Team may consult with experts outside BCIT, or others within BCIT as the Threat Assessment Team determines is appropriate.
- C. When a matter is referred to the Threat Assessment Team by the Director, the Team will assess the potential impact of the risks identified in a risk assessment report, or other matters referred to the Threat Assessment Team by the Director. The Team will make recommendations to the Director for mitigating those risks, giving the reasons for those recommendations to the Director and to the appropriate administrative decision maker within BCIT.
- D. The Threat Assessment Team will also consider and recommend preventative measures which address general safety issues relating to BCIT to the Director.

Procedure

Identification of Potential Threats

A. Members of the BCIT community are encouraged to bring forward any concerns regarding atrisk behaviours, self-harm, abusive, threatening, violent, or intimidating behavior to any member of Safety, Security and Emergency Management, or to their supervisor, manager or academic administrator.

Privacy and Confidentiality

A. BCIT recognizes the sensitivity of information relating to incidents of abusive, threatening, violent, or intimidating behaviour, and will make every reasonable effort to protect personal

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information and maintain confidentiality.

- B. Personal information that BCIT collects or maintains in connection with incidents of abusive, threatening, violent, or intimidating behaviour is subject to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act ("FIPPA"), and BCIT will ensure that all such information is collected, used and disclosed by it only in compliance with the requirements of FIPPA and the policies of BCIT.
- C. BCIT will ensure that access such information is permitted only on a need-to-know-basis subject to FIPPA. All records or files created or collected by BCIT will be kept secure, and access to them will be limited to authorized personnel.
- D. BCIT may collect, use, and disclose personal information that it receives, only as it considers reasonable and necessary to investigate and respond appropriately. However, the use and disclosure of personal information for these purposes will, to the extent reasonably possible, be undertaken in consultation with the affected individual.
- E. In accordance with FIPPA, this may involve disclosing personal information internally and/or with police to ensure the safety and security of BCIT campuses and facilities, and to prevent significant risks of injury or harm to any person. In some circumstances, BCIT may also be required to disclose personal information relating to an alleged act of abusive, threatening, violent, or intimidating behaviour, in order to comply with its legal obligations (such as where BCIT is served with a subpoena or court order).

Forms Associated With This Procedure

None

Amendment History

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