

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER

Senate Resolution 23.18

(Stating the sentiments of the TTUHSC Student Senate regarding the expansion of the Medication Cleanout event to the TTUHSC Dallas Campus.)

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Medication Cleanout events hosted on the Abilene, Amarillo, and Lubbock campuses is to prevent medication related poisonings, abuse, and misuse by collecting and properly disposing of expired or unused medication; and,

WHEREAS, since the first Medication Cleanout event in 2009 there have been 80 Medication Cleanout events with more than 75,000 pounds of unwanted medication and sharps safely disposed exhibiting the significant impact these events have on our communities; and,

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curriculum by finding and promoting opportunities for students to work alongside other programs outside a work environment thus enhancing cohesion between programs down the road, while also giving back to West Texas communities; and,

WHEREAS, the TTUHSC Dallas Campus is a comprehensive academic environment consisting of both the TTUHSC School of Nursing and the Jerry H. Hodge School of Pharmacy that promotes collaborative experiences and education; and,

WHEREAS, a Medication Cleanout Event hosted at the TTUHSC Dallas campus would contribute to the robust amount of educational opportunities uniquely available at this campus that provide real-world experiences to meet the demands

programs at the TTUHSC and investing in the well-being of our communities; and,

WHEREAS, the Dallas community currently has drug take back programs twice a year on the National Prescription Drug Take Back Days^{2,3} and since the Medication Cleanout Events fall on different weekends in April and October, this would allow the community to have more opportunities to dispose of unused and potentially dangerous medications: and,

WHEREAS, current collaboration between the TTUHSC Dallas Campus and healthcare providers and community leaders in Dallas-Fort Worth contributes to developing mutually beneficial opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, a Medication Cleanout Event hosted at the TTUHSC Dallas campus would create more opportunities for collaboration between students, faculty, and staff at the TTUHSC Dallas campus and Dallas-Fort Worth healthcare providers, community leaders, and community members; and therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Student Senate of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center supports the expansion of the Medication Cleanout event to the TTUHSC Dallas campus; and therefore,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the Journal and that copies be sent to Lori Rice-Spearman Ph.D, President, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Darrin D'Agostino, D.O., MPH, MBA, Provost and Chief Academic Officer, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Grace M. Kuo PharmD, MPH, PhD, FCCP, FNAP, Dean and Professor, Texas Tech Univer