

The logo features the text "HEALTHY BODY" in green and "HEALTHY MIND" in blue, with a stylized blue and green wave graphic behind it.

HEALTHY BODY  
HEALTHY MIND

\*Information about the **law**  
**and associated risks** of  
using drugs

# \* College Disciplinary Policy

KNOW THE  
RULES!



The safety of all students including the student suspected of gross misconduct is paramount.

**Gross misconduct** is defined as unacceptable or improper behaviour of a very serious kind.

- \* Abuse of, or dealing in, illegal drugs, serious incapability as a result of being intoxicated by reason of alcohol or illegal drugs.
- \* If a student is subject to a police investigation then the student will **normally be suspended** for the duration of that investigation.
- \* Disciplinary Panel Hearing



# \* Misuse of Drugs Act 1971

Class	Drug	Possession	Supply and production
A	Crack cocaine, <b>cocaine</b> , ecstasy (MDMA), heroin, LSD, magic mushrooms, methadone, methamphetamine (crystal meth)	Up to 7 years in prison, an unlimited fine or both	Up to life in prison, an unlimited fine or both
B	Amphetamines, barbiturates, <b>cannabis</b> , codeine, ketamine, methylphenidate (Ritalin), synthetic cannabinoids, synthetic cathinones (eg mephedrone, methoxetamine)	<b>Up to 5 years in prison, an unlimited fine or both</b>	<b>Up to 14 years in prison, an unlimited fine or both</b>
C	Anabolic steroids, benzodiazepines (diazepam), gamma hydroxybutyrate (GHB), gamma-butyrolactone (GBL), piperazines (BZP), khat	Up to 2 years in prison, an unlimited fine or both (except anabolic steroids - it's not an offence to possess them for personal use)	Up to 14 years in prison, an unlimited fine or both



<b>Psychoactive substances</b>	<b>Possession</b>	<b>Supply and production</b>
Things that cause hallucinations, drowsiness or changes in alertness, perception of time and space, mood or empathy with others eg laughing gas	None, unless you're in prison	Up to <b>7 years in prison</b> , an unlimited fine or both

- \* Secrecy and unexplained need for extra money
- \* Moody and uncommunicative
- \* **Drugs paraphernalia**
- \* Distinctive odour (skunk and cannabis)
- \* **Impaired coordination, concentration, and memory**
- \* Slowed speech, constant cough, chronic sore throat
- \* **General disinterest and lack of motivation**
- \* Red or bloodshot eyes (often masked by eye drops)
- \* **Impaired tracking and visual distance**
- \* Delayed decision making and distortions in time estimation.



**\* Use of drugs**  
**Potential indicators**



**A criminal conviction can  
have massive implications  
on a person's ability to  
lead a full life**



\* “You can't escape your past as you could previously - it is a major problem.

\* There are large number of **professions where convictions can never be spent** and must be disclosed, including doctors, nurses, lawyers, teachers and police officers”

\* The ‘standard’ and ‘enhanced’ criminal record check will show an employer your past crimes, even if they’re spent.

\* If you’re not suitable for a job because of a spent conviction or caution, the employer can withdraw a job offer.

# \* **Convictions and Employment** **Advice from NACRO**

National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders

## \* Study

\* If a student is applying for health, social care and education courses they will be refused a place if they have a criminal conviction

## \* Travel

\* Difficulties in getting visas or entering certain countries



## \* Home Ownership

\* There is a duty to disclose unspent convictions in an application for a mortgage.

## \* Insurances

\* If your convictions are not spent you will be expected to disclose. You may well be refused insurance entirely or you may find that premiums are sky high.



## \* Psychological

\* "What is always evident from the calls we get is the degree of shame people feel about their past behaviour. Shame and embarrassment is often a greater problem than the practical problems offenders face" NACRO.

- \* The latest [Home Office figures](#) showed in 2017/18 use of the drug has increased from 1.2% to 3.1% among 16 to 24-year-olds.
- \* The family of Ellie Rowe, 18, warn of the dangers of the drug as the Government announce they will upgrade it from a Class C to a Class B

- \* Ketamine death of student an 'act of stupidity which destroyed family'
- \* Ellie Rowe, 18, collapsed at the Boomtown Fair in Winchester, Hants after taking ketamine



# \* Ketamine tragedy

## VIDEO

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/uk-england-hampshire-45370112/boomtown-fair-drugs-death-victim-absolutely-irreplaceable>

[www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/embed/p06jxxm3/45370112](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/embed/p06jxxm3/45370112)