

Smoke and Tobacco Free Facility Policy

A smoke and tobacco free facility helps create a safe and healthy environment. Smoking and secondhand smoke cause serious lung diseases, heart disease and cancer. Linthicum Heights UMC recognizes the hazards caused by tobacco use and exposure to secondhand tobacco smoke. Our policy to provide a smoke and tobacco free environment for all members and visitors was established to keep a safe and healthy campus. This policy covers the smoking of any tobacco product, the use of oral tobacco products, "spit" tobacco, and e-cigarettes. It applies to members, users, and visitors throughout our campus.

Policies

No use of tobacco products including cigarettes, e-cigarettes and "spit tobacco" will be allowed within the facilities of Linthicum Heights UMC at any time.

Smoking or tobacco use shall be permitted only in designated smoking areas that are clearly marked and are located at least 50 feet outside the building entrance, operable windows, and ventilation systems of enclosed areas to prevent tobacco smoke from entering those areas. All materials used for smoking in designated smoking areas, including cigarette butts and matches, will be extinguished and disposed of in appropriate containers.

Procedure

1. The Smoke and Tobacco Free Policy is posted throughout the Linthicum Heights UMC campus.
2. Designated smoking areas are identified on Attachment A of this policy and are clearly marked with signs.
3. Members, users, and visitors who want to quit smoking are directed to smoking cessation programs and materials. (Visit www.lung.org/stop-smoking or <https://betobaccofree.hhs.gov/> for more information.)

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Smoke and Tobacco Free Facility Policy: Designated Smoking Areas

