

# **Funding from the Tobacco Industry Policy**

## **Section 1 - Purpose**

(1) The purpose of this Policy is to state that the University will not accept funding and other forms of support from the Tobacco Industry.

#### **Background**

- (2) Tobacco smoking remains the leading preventable cause of death and disease in Australia. Smoking leads to a wide range of diseases including many types of cancer, heart disease and stroke.
- (3) Many research granting agencies, including the Cancer Council and the National Health and Medical Research Council, prohibit awarding of funds to institutions that receive funding from the Tobacco Industry.

#### Scope

(4) This Policy applies to all staff, contractors, students, visiting academics, volunteers and other personnel of the University.

## **Section 2 - Policy**

(5) The University will not seek or knowingly accept funding or other forms of support, other than via government levies, charges and taxes, from the Tobacco Industry or from any agencies or foundations primarily funded by the Tobacco Industry, or agents known to be acting on their behalf.

### **Section 3 - Procedures**

(6) Nil.

### **Section 4 - Guidelines**

(7) Nil.

### **Section 5 - Definitions**

- (8) The following definitions apply for the purpose of this Policy:
  - a. Tobacco Industry means individuals, corporations and their related entities and other entities that primarily manufacture, distribute, promote or market tobacco and related products.
  - b. University means Macquarie University and its controlled entities.

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