

Birthingway College of Midwifery
Annual Security Report – Fall 2010

The Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act (Public Law 101-542) requires that all institutions of higher education produce an annual security report. Birthingway has prepared the following information so that our community can make an informed choice about their personal safety while at Birthingway.

About This Report

Birthingway’s security report is prepared on an annual basis by the Administrative Programs Coordinator and is distributed by October 1st of each year. Statistics included are from both on-campus reporting and through the Portland Police Bureau. Data is submitted to the US Department of Education and is available to the general public at <http://ope.ed.gov/security>.

Birthingway’s Annual Security Report is available free of charge to any interested party. Please contact the college office at 503-760-3131.

Crime Statistics

Crimes reported to Birthingway or the Portland Police Bureau during the years 2009, 2008, and 2007 are as follows:

Crime	Year	On Campus	Public Property
Murder/Non-negligent manslaughter	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
	2007	0	0
Negligent manslaughter	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
	2007	0	0
Forcible sex offenses	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
	2007	0	0
Non-forcible sex offenses	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
	2007	0	0
Robbery	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
	2007	0	0
Aggravated Assault	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
	2007	0	0
Burglary	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
	2007	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0

	2007	0	0
Arson	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
Any other crime involving bodily injury	2007	0	0
	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
Arrests for drug law violations	2007	0	0
	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
Disciplinary referrals for drug law violations	2007	0	0
	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
Arrests for liquor law violations	2007	0	0
	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
Disciplinary referrals for liquor law violations	2007	0	0
	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
Arrests for illegal weapons possession	2007	0	0
	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
Disciplinary referrals for illegal weapons possession	2007	0	0
	2009	0	0
	2008	0	0
	2007	0	0

“On Campus” is defined as the school buildings, parking lot, and surrounding landscaping. “Public Property” is defined as the sidewalks, roads, and other community use areas adjacent to the College campus. Birthingway has no dormitories/residential facilities or off-campus buildings. Reported crimes include those involving individuals not associated with Birthingway.

No hate offenses were reported in 2007, 2008, or 2009.

In addition, the Portland Police Bureau has provided information about crimes taking place in the surrounding neighborhood. Please see the Year 2009 map attached to the end of this report.

Security On-campus and How to Report an On-Campus Crime

Birthingway is required by law to inform our students and employees of any situation that represents a threat to their safety. In addition, we will not tolerate the endangerment of the safety of our community. We will fully cooperate with local police in the investigation of any incidents.

In the event that a situation arises that, in the judgment of the President or Operations Coordinator, constitutes an ongoing or continuing threat, a school-wide “timely warning” will be issued. The Birthingway Community will be informed through prominent notices on the school bulletin boards, in student mailboxes and through email.

As a small school, Birthingway does not employ security staff. However, we are careful to maintain the safety of our campus. The entire parking area is lit at night and we encourage community members to keep their car doors locked and to leave the building together if possible. College staff checks all doors and rooms before closing for the night. Birthingway encourages students and faculty to report any safety concerns to a staff member.

Birthingway strongly encourages anyone who is the victim of or witness to a crime to immediately report to the Portland Police.

To report a crime or request emergency assistance, call 9-1-1
To make a non-emergency police report, call 503-823-3333

In addition, we ask that students and faculty report crimes to Birthingway's front office (or to any college staff member), preferably in writing. Please include the date, time (if known), and nature of the crime, along with any pertinent details. The report may be submitted anonymously, even if the student does not wish to contact the police. Staff or faculty who receive a crime report should forward the information to the Operations Coordinator.

Any conviction for violent crime (including homicide, assault, and sex offenses) will cause immediate termination from Birthingway. Termination for other crimes will be handled on a case-by-case basis, depending on the specifics of the crime.

At the time of this report, Birthingway does not have any agreements with State and/or local law enforcement agencies (such as written memoranda of understanding) for the investigation of alleged criminal offenses.

Sexual Offenses

Birthingway will not tolerate any form of sexual abuse or assault by any member of the Birthingway community – be they faculty, staff, or students. Conviction for any sexual crime, including sexual harassment, will result in immediate termination from Birthingway.

Sexual offenses should be reported to the front office or to any college staff member. Any crime may be reported anonymously. We encourage victims to contact local police as soon as possible; school personnel will assist in contacting them if requested. Victims and witnesses should keep in mind the importance of preserving evidence for proof of a criminal offense.

Birthingway staff members are not qualified to provide professional counseling, nor do we have sponsored on- or off-campus services for victims. However, we will do our utmost in offering non-professional support, including changes to a student's academic situation if necessary. In addition, the following community resources are available:

Portland Women's Crisis Line Business Office.....503-232-9751
Women's Crisis Line – Rape Hotline.....503-235-5333

Birthingway will take disciplinary action in the event of a sexual offense by a student or staff/faculty member. Both the accuser and the accused are entitled to the opportunity to have others present during disciplinary proceedings. Both will be informed of the final determination by Birthingway. If a final determination is made that a sexual offense was made, the student or staff/faculty member will be terminated from Birthingway.

Under the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, the Oregon State Police maintain information regarding registered sex offenders. Students may request a list of sex offenders registered in any Oregon zip code by calling the Oregon State Police at 503-378-3725, ext. 4429. Students may also find information on registered predatory sex offenders by online search at <http://sexoffenders.oregon.gov/>. The state of Oregon does not automatically distribute such information, unless it has reason to believe that a predatory sex offender is an immediate danger to the community.

Alcohol and Illegal Drug Use or Possession

In compliance with Public Law 101-226, The Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendment of 1989, Birthingway College of Midwifery is legally required and morally committed to the prevention of illicit drug use and the abuse of alcohol by students and staff/faculty. As part of our Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program, Birthingway hereby educates and informs our community of the health risks associated with the use of illicit drugs and the abuse of alcohol, to refer them to counseling and treatment resources, and to inform them of legal penalties for noncompliance.

Birthingway Policy

The college holds a strict policy against any community member (including faculty, staff, and students) attending class, clinicals, births, or any other work/practice settings in any condition other than clearheaded, able to concentrate and make good decisions. Individuals are expected to take seriously their responsibilities to the public and the rest of the Birthingway community. Any conviction for illegal drug and/or alcohol use or possession while on college property, engaging in college business, taking part in any Birthingway educational opportunity (fieldtrips, clinical training, doula births), or in any way serving in a midwifery-related capacity will result in immediate expulsion or termination from Birthingway.

Use of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in the Birthingway building and on Birthingway property except for special events, such as graduation, when approved by the Birthingway President or Board of Directors. Anyone under the influence of alcohol will be removed, dismissed or suspended from the college premises.

Counseling and Treatment Resources

While Birthingway staff members are not qualified to provide professional counseling, community resources available for individuals who are alcohol and/or drug affected include:

Alcoholic Anonymous.....	503-723-5672
Al-Anon.....	503-292-1333
Cocaine Anonymous.....	503-256-1666
Narcotics Anonymous.....	503-727-3733

Alcoholics Victorious.....503-245-9629
Multnomah County Crisis Line.....503-988-4888

Health Risks

Drug and alcohol abuse is dangerous to your health. The use of illicit drugs and the abuse of alcohol can create a variety of health risks as well as impair one's ability to succeed at college and in a chosen career. Possible health risks may include:

ALCOHOL – can cause loss of concentration, poor judgment and coordination, impaired memory, drowsiness and mood swings, hallucinations, coma, and death. Abuse is linked to liver damage, high blood pressure, cancer, and heart and liver damage.

AMPHETAMINES – are stimulants, speeding up the action of the central nervous system. They can lead to hallucinations, heart problems, malnutrition, dependence, paranoid psychosis, and death. Methamphetamine, particularly crystallized methamphetamine, is a form of amphetamine with even stronger effects on the central nervous system.

COCAINE/CRACK – is a stimulant, speeding up the action of the central nervous system, and can lead to increased heart rate and high blood pressure, short attention span/poor judgment, irritability, aggression, mood swings, paranoid psychosis, malnutrition, liver damage, seizures, coma, stroke, heart attack and death.

DELIRIANTS – Cause mental confusion and include aerosol products, lighter fluid, pain thinner, “poppers,” and other inhalants. Effects include confusion, loss of coordination, hallucinations, dependence, convulsions, and death. They can lead to damage to lungs, brain, liver, and bone marrow.

DEPRESSANTS – include barbiturates, tranquilizers, and methaqualone. Depressants relax the central nervous system, and can lead to confusion, depression, convulsions, dependence, paranoid psychosis, coma, and death. Tranquilizers (such as Valium) are especially dangerous in combination with alcohol.

HALLUCINOGENS – distort reality and include lysergic acid (LSD), mescaline, and phencyclidine (PCP). They can lead to hallucinations, panic, “flashbacks” and possibly long-term psychosis.

MARIJUANA – (aka cannabis, hashish) alters perception and mood, and can lead to impaired memory/judgment, increased heart rate, slowed reaction time, and poor coordination.

NARCOTICS – include codeine, heroin, morphine, and opium. Narcotics lower pain perception and have a wide variety of negative health effects that may include lethargy, loss of judgment and self-control, dependence, malnutrition, convulsions, coma, and death.

In addition to the effects described above, the form in which a substance is introduced to the body (i.e. inhaling, smoking) can create additional health problems (i.e. lung disease). All of

these substances can be extremely harmful to the health of an unborn baby. Use during pregnancy can lead to birth defects or even death of the fetus.

Legal Penalties

Federal and state law sets severe penalties. The penalties for possession include

	Maximum Prison Time	Maximum Fine
Schedule I -- Class B Felony Heroin, LSD, other hallucinogens, marijuana, others	10 years	\$100,000
Schedule II -- Class C Felony Methadone, morphine, amphetamine, cocaine, PCP	5 years	\$100,000
Schedule III -- Class A Misdemeanor Nonamphetamine stimulants, some stimulants	1 year	\$2,500
Schedule IV -- Class C Misdemeanor Valium-type tranquilizers, some less potent depressants	30 days	\$500
Schedule V -- Violation Dilute mixtures, compounds with small amounts of controlled drugs	None	\$1000

Oregon law allows cars, boats, and other forms of transportation used to transport illegal drugs to be seized and forfeited.

Delivery of less than five grams or possession of less than one ounce of marijuana is a violation. HB2479 established mandatory evaluation, education and treatment services for those under 18.

Alcohol is an illegal drug for those under 21 years of age. For drivers under 21, ANY detectable amount of alcohol may be grounds for license suspension from 90 days to one year.

Emergency Notification

Upon confirmation of an immediate and significant emergency or dangerous situation, or if there is a need to evacuate the building, those inside the Main building will be alerted through a building-wide announcement using the "Page All" feature of the phones.

1. To use this feature, pick up the phone receiver and press "Intercom" button.
2. Next, press down arrow button so screen says "Intercom to page all".
3. Press "Enter" button and speak into receiver.
4. A sticker providing instructions for this feature is found on all phones.

Birthingway will notify the community in this way without delay unless the notification will compromise the safety of the Birthingway community.

If the school is closed due to an emergency or disaster, the College President will contact the staff by phone. The Operations Coordinator will then be responsible for contacting students and the Faculty Coordinator for contacting faculty. If possible, the Technology Coordinator will post a notice to the campus website.

Students will receive an annual presentation by the Operations Coordinator spring term in cohort on emergency evacuation and preparedness. Staff members will review the emergency preparedness and evacuation policies and procedures at the staff meeting nearest to the beginning of spring term. Birthingway will also test the emergency response and evacuation procedure annually with a fire drill.

The Birthingway community will also be informed of Emergency Response and Evacuation procedures, and other important safety information, through a safety pamphlet that is maintained by the Operations Coordinator and is displayed throughout the campus buildings.

Other Information

Federal regulation requires that schools report on certain policies and the availability of specific services/programs. Birthingway hereby informs the public of the following:

- Birthingway maintains an environment designed to encourage students, staff, and faculty to be responsible for their own security and the security of other members of the Birthingway community. Students, staff, and faculty are informed of security policies and procedures through New Student Orientation, the Catalog and/or Faculty Handbook, and this Annual Security Report. We do not hold any other formal training about campus security policy and procedures, safety responsibility, or crime prevention.
- In addition to the information provided through our other security information disbursement, Birthingway students learn about the dangers and effects of sexual assault as part of their midwifery training. We do not hold other formal trainings on the dangers of rape, acquaintance rape, and procedures to follow when an offense occurs.
- In addition to the information on drug and alcohol abuse we provide within this security report and the Birthingway Catalog, students learn about the dangers and effects of drug and alcohol abuse as part of their midwifery training. We do not hold other formal drug or alcohol abuse education trainings.
- We employ no pastoral or professional counselors, and therefore do not have a policy as to the confidentiality of their reporting procedures.
- We do not have off-campus student organizations, so do not have a policy concerning monitoring/recording of off-campus criminal activity of such organizations.
- Birthingway's Emergency Response and Evacuation procedure packets are posted throughout the Foster building in classrooms, restrooms, the kitchen and the front office. Packets are available in the Carlton House. The packet is also available on the Birthingway website. An overview of the procedures are presented to midwifery program students during spring term and are tested annually in the spring.