1 Introduction

1.1 Appalachian State University (Appalachian) encourages its students to participate in education abroad experiences in large numbers. The University also supports faculty and staff to participate in international activities and promotes the development of opportunities for international teaching, study, and research. Therefore, Appalachian endeavors to balance the value of participation in international activities against potential risks and crises that may develop. The health and safety of Appalachian personnel and participants abroad are of primary concern to the University and its overseas partners. Senior administrators, education abroad administrators, education abroad program leaders, and host institution representatives abroad share the responsibility for monitoring local and national conditions affecting participant health and safety and providing relevant information to program participants. At the same time, participants themselves are responsible for becoming familiar with all materials provided and for following health and safety guidelines provided by Appalachian and host institutions.

2 Scope

3 Definitions

4 Policy and Procedure Statements

   Crisis Management Protocol

5 Additional References

6 Authority

   UNC Policy Manual, The Code, Section 502

7 Contact Information

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