

From the Golden Rule Student Handbook: 5.006 Student Rights and Responsibilities

(7) Mandated Assessment Procedure

This University procedure is established for behaviors or actions that result in hospitalization from imminent danger to self or others via the Baker Act (F.S. 394.463) or Marchman Act (Chapter 397, Florida Statutes), significant acts or threats of violence to others, chronic eating disorders, dramatic and/or expansive displays of self-mutilation, behaviors that are significantly disruptive to the UCF community and /or diminish the ability of a student to care for oneself. Whenever the UCF Police provide transportation of a UCF student to the hospital for involuntary examination, the police will file a report with the OSRR.

- (a.) Once a report is received, the Assistant Director of Student Care Services or designee may notify and consult with designated representatives of UCF Counseling and Psychological Services or Student Health Services and/or the University Crisis Team to review the severity of the student's behavior for potential of continued risk to the campus community. A determination will be made whether a mandated assessment and/or physical assessment is needed to help the student in their specific situation or whether some other more stringent, protective action is appropriate to protect both the welfare of the student and the community. The mandated assessment session(s) may be used to evaluate the student's risk of harm to self or others, and to take appropriate actions to ensure the safety of the student or others if risk is present. In addition, the mandated assessment session(s) are designed to assist students in developing a safety and/or well-being plan and provide students with educational resources. A member of Student Care Services will contact the student in a timely manner and require an initial meeting between a SCS representative and the student to inform the student of their rights and responsibilities regarding the incident.
- (b.) All students identified as threatening self-harm or having attempted suicide must complete a mandated assessment with a licensed mental health professional and/or a physical assessment with a licensed medical provider. Examples of a licensed mental health professional include a UCF Student Health Services psychiatrist, a UCF Counseling and Psychological Services clinician, or a 12 community based counselor or psychiatrist of the student's choice. Before the mandated assessment is conducted, the Assistant Director of Student Care Services or designee will first attempt to obtain an Authorization to Release/Exchange Confidential Information form from the student to provide the licensed mental health professional and/or licensed medical health professional conducting the assessment with background information relevant to the reason for the mandated assessment. The Director of OSRR or designee will require proof of participation for the mandated assessment with a licensed mental health professional and/or proof of a physical assessment with an appropriate medical provider. The student must meet with Student Care Services within two weeks (10 business days) to complete a follow up appointment. Student must provide proof of assessment within four weeks (20 business days) or prior to return to the university (in the event a student withdraws for the remainder of the semester or is placed on Medical Withdrawal). Failure to comply may result in disciplinary action or the convening of the University Crisis Team to consider the initiation of the Involuntary Withdrawal Procedure. (c.) In cases where more protective action is needed based on more severe behavior/conduct (e.g., behavior endangering others, threats to harm others, behavior significantly disruptive to the UCF community), the Director of OSRR or designee may initiate one or both of the following:
1. Interim Suspension followed by initiating the Student Conduct Review process;
 2. Convening of the University Crisis Team to consider the initiation of the Involuntary Withdrawal Procedure.