I. PURPOSE

New York Medical College ("NYMC" or "College") is committed to maintaining a clean, aesthetically pleasing, healthy and safe work, educational and living environment in order to efficiently carry out its educational mission. This policy enables the College to control its buildings and grounds consistent with the College’s policies on use of facilities, which prohibit the use of College property or buildings for purposes unrelated to the regular programs and activities of the College.

II. POLICY

Camping is prohibited on the College Campus.

III. SCOPE

This policy applies to individuals accessing the NYMC Campus.

IV. DEFINITIONS

Camping –
A. the establishment of, or attempt to establish, temporary or permanent living quarters at any location on Campus other than College managed housing;
B. sleeping outdoors with or without bedding, tent, hammock, or similar device, structure, protection or equipment between the hours of 9:00pm and 8:00am;
C. sleeping in or under any parked vehicle between the hours of 9:00pm and 8:00am; or
D. establishing or maintaining outdoors, or in or under any structure not designated for human occupancy, at any time during the day or night, a temporary or permanent place for cooking, storing personal belongings, or sleeping by setting up bedding, sleeping bags, mattress, tent or other sleeping equipment, or by setting up any cooking equipment that has not been approved by the College.

Campus – any College owned, leased, licensed or operated space, facility, property, grounds or building.

V. PROCEDURES

A. Enforcement and compliance
1. The Public Safety Department is responsible for addressing non-compliance with this policy by all persons and may address violations of this policy that constitute criminal trespass or any other violation of law.

2. Students, faculty and staff may be referred by Public Safety for discipline for alleged violation of this policy.

3. Exceptions – actions that constitute Camping as defined above may be permitted in (a) circumstances as approved as part of a revocable permit for campus use or approved in advance in writing by the Director of Public Safety; or (b) in extraordinary circumstances, such as times of natural disaster, when approved in writing in advance by the Chancellor of the College or his designee.

VI. EFFECTIVE DATE

This policy is effective immediately.

VII. POLICY MANAGEMENT

Executive Stakeholder: Director of Public Safety
Oversight Office: Public Safety