

Birthingway College of Midwifery
Annual Security Report – Fall 2021

About This Report

Birthingway’s security report is prepared on an annual basis by the College and is distributed near the beginning of Fall term each year. Statistics included are from both on-campus reporting and through the Beaverton 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 our front office at 503-760-3131.

Crime Statistics

Please note that while our Clery Act crime statistics have historically been very low, students and staff do sometimes report criminal activity and/or misconduct that occurs outside these federally defined parameters.

Clery Act crimes reported to Birthingway or the Beaverton Police Bureau during the years 2020, 2019, and 2018 are as follows:

Crime	Year	On Campus	Public Property
Murder	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0
Forcible sex offenses	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0
Non-forcible sex offenses	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0
Robbery	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0
Aggravated Assault	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0
Burglary	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0
Arson	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0

Illegal weapons possession, carrying, etc.	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0
Drug abuse violations	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0
Liquor law violations	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0
Hate crimes	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0
Dating Violence	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0
Domestic Violence	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0
Stalking	2020	0	0
	2019	0	0
	2018	0	0

On Campus is defined by federal law as the school buildings, off-campus buildings, parking lots, and surrounding landscaping. Birthingway has no dormitories/residential facilities.

Public Property is defined by federal law as the sidewalks, roads, and other community use areas known to be easily accessible to College students (e.g., shared pathway or the absence of a fence). Reported crimes include those involving individuals not associated with Birthingway.

Security on Campus

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 any 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, constitutes an ongoing or continuing threat, a school-wide timely warning will be issued. The Birthingway Community will be informed through prominent notices through email.

As a small school, Birthingway does not employ security staff; however, we are careful to maintain the safety of our campus.

Emergency Notification

If the school is closed due to an emergency or disaster, the College President will contact the staff by phone. The Registrar will post notices to the campus website, online calendar, and to the College's social media pages.

Reporting a Crime

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

To report a crime or request emergency assistance, call 9-1-1

To make a non-emergency police report, call 503-629-0111

In addition, we ask that students and faculty report crimes to Birthingway's President, 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 if the student does not wish to contact the police.

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. See the Personnel and Student Codes of Conduct.

Sexual Offenses

Birthingway will not tolerate any form of sexual abuse or assault by any member of the Birthingway community. 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 crime, including sexual harassment, occurred, the student or staff/faculty member responsible will be terminated from Birthingway.

Sexual offenses should be reported to the front office or to any 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 police if requested to do so. 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. We will do our utmost in offering non-professional support, including changes to a student's academic situation if necessary. In addition, the following local resources are available:

Call to Safety Business Line (Formerly Portland Women's Crisis Line)... 503-232-9751

Call to Safety Crisis Line (Formerly Portland Women's Crisis Line)..... 503-235-5333

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 sex offenders considered "predatory" and/or "sexually violent" under Oregon statute by searching <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.

Drug and Alcohol Use Prevention Program

In compliance with Public Law 101-226, The Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendment of 1989, Birthingway College of Midwifery is legally required to provide information about the health risks of illicit drug use and 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 community members 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 sober. All community members must be able to concentrate and make good decisions. 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 (such as field trips, clinical training, doula births); or in any way serving in a midwifery or lactation related capacity will result in immediate expulsion or termination from Birthingway.

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

Smoking of any kind, including e-cigarettes, is not allowed on college property or during college events. Chewing tobacco should be disposed of in an appropriate waste container. Please note that, as of January 1, 2018, Oregon law prohibits persons under 21 years of age from even possessing tobacco products and inhalant delivery systems while on college property or during college events.

Counseling and Treatment Resources

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

Alcoholics Anonymous.....	503-223-8569
Al-Anon.....	503-292-1333
Alcoholics Victorious.....	503-701-0537
Cocaine Anonymous.....	503-256-1666
Multnomah County Crisis Line.....	503-988-4888
Narcotics Anonymous.....	503-345-9839

Health Risks

Drug and alcohol use is dangerous to your health. The use of illicit drugs and 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. Alcohol 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 (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. State penalties for possession include:

	Maximum Prison Time	Maximum Fine
Schedule I -- Class A Misdemeanor Heroin, LSD, other hallucinogens, others	1 year	\$6,250
Schedule II -- Class A Misdemeanor Methadone, morphine, amphetamine, cocaine, PCP	1 year	\$6,250
Schedule III -- Class A Misdemeanor Nonamphetamine stimulants, some stimulants	1 year	\$6,250
Schedule IV -- Class C Misdemeanor Valium-type tranquilizers, some less potent depressants	30 days	\$1,250
Schedule V -- Violation Dilute mixtures, compounds with small amounts of controlled drugs	None	Approx \$250

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

In Oregon, medical and recreational marijuana are illegal for those under 21 years of age. HB2479 established mandatory evaluation, education and treatment services for those under 18. All marijuana remains illegal under federal law, including on the Birthingway Campus.

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.

Review of Drug and Alcohol Use Prevention Program

Birthingway reviews the Drug and Alcohol Use Prevention program every other year, even years. During our 2020 review, we analyzed the following: method of notification to students and staff, policy and procedure in place for consistent enforcement, and drug-related code of conduct violations. The next review will take place Fall 2022.

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 *Student Handbook and Catalog* and/or personnel handbooks, and this Annual Security Report. We do not hold any other formal training about campus security policy and procedures, safety responsibility, or crime prevention.
- As a part of Birthingway's ongoing commitment to the safety of our community members, and in conjunction with a strengthened Violence Against Women Act as Reauthorized in 2014, Birthingway encourages discussion about recognizing, responding to, and recovering from interpersonal violence. Birthingway offers an online training module to all students, staff, and faculty. Students, staff, and faculty also have opportunities to participate in relevant coursework, such as Psychosocial Issues, and continuing education, such as our Trauma Informed Care workshop.
- In addition to the information on drug and alcohol abuse we provide within this security report and the Birthingway *Student Handbook and Catalog*, students learn about the dangers and effects of drug and alcohol abuse as part of their education in the midwifery arts and sciences. 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.