



## **NPC Position Statement Against Hazing**

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The National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) is one of the world's largest organizations advocating for the sorority experience, representing 26 inter/national women's-only sororities and more than 350,000 undergraduate sorority women. Since 1943, NPC has taken a public stand against hazing. Additionally, each NPC member organization has its own set of policies condemning hazing.

NPC actively supports both state and federal legislation that requires increased anti-hazing efforts by institutions of higher education, national organizations and local campus organizations. We endorse a three-tiered approach to eliminating hazing:

- **Education:** Increased anti-hazing, anti-bullying and bystander intervention education for secondary school and undergraduate students. Additionally, college/university faculty and staff should participate in annual anti-hazing education.
- **Transparency:** Increased requirements for publicly reporting acts of hazing adjudicated on campus, including names of student organizations found responsible of threatening the well-being of others.
- **Accountability:** Increased criminal penalties, both misdemeanor and felony, for individuals and organizations found guilty of hazing.

NPC is a founding member of the Anti-Hazing Coalition (AHC). The AHC is a collaboration between NPC, the North American Interfraternity Conference (NIC) and several parents of college students who lost their lives to hazing. This coalition is proud of its work to draft and lobby support of the passage of the Stop Campus Hazing Act, which received unanimous bicameral support in 2024 before being signed into law by President Joe Biden. The law requires colleges and universities to provide more transparency to students and caregivers about any student organization that has put the health and safety of members or potential members at risk. In addition, the AHC has played an active role in the passage of more than a dozen state laws aimed at increasing criminal accountability for acts of hazing.

NPC and several of its 26 member organizations also support a national anti-hazing hotline: 1-888-NOT-HAZE (1-888-668-4293).