**The Counseling Center protocol during Covid-19**

**\*\*Please note that, due to licensing requirements, we can only provide phone and Zoom counseling sessions to students who are physically in the state of New Mexico at the time of service.**

All enrolled students for Fall 2020 semester have access to counseling services at Tech. Currently, due to Covid-19, our services are mainly via phone and/or Zoom.

Emergencies will be seen in person on a case-by-case basis based on risk. Please call the Counseling Center at 575-835-6619 or ext. 6619 before walking a student in crisis to the office.

If the situation is deemed an immediate safety risk, the faculty or staff will then be directed to walk the student over to the Counseling Center and only the student in crisis will be allowed in the Counseling Office.

Anyone who believes that a student needs to meet with a Mental Health Clinician at the Counseling Center but are NOT currently in crisis, should encourage the student to complete an Intake Form online at the Counseling website at <https://www.nmt.edu/cds/counseling.php>.

Staff and faculty may also call the Counseling Center with the student present and have the student speak with a Mental Health Clinician directly to begin the process of setting up an appointment.

If staff and faculty are worried about a member of the NMT community and it is not an immediate safety issue or they believe that the student will not follow up with counseling services, submit a report to NMT’s Behavioral Intervention Team (BIT), available on the Tech website <https://nmt.edu/bit/>.

Once you submit the form, you will receive an email confirming it has been sent. The BIT Team will also receive an email with the completed report during regular business hours and will consult about next steps during regular meetings which are every second and fourth Wednesday of the month.

If there is an emergency after hours, contact Campus Police immediately at 575-835-5555.

For general counseling questions: call 575-835-6619 or email counseling@nmt.edu.

Counseling Phone: 575-835-6619 (ext. 6619 on campus)

Counseling email: counseling@nmt.edu

Counseling website: <https://www.nmt.edu/cds/counseling.php>

Counseling Intake Form:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScwo4czISYzcr4iOCbu5x4C4I5JEKsN80gZ8taHZ14M-Ei5RA/viewform>

BIT website: <https://nmt.edu/bit/>

BIT Form: <https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?NewMexicoTech&layout_id=30>

Campus Police: 575-835-5555 (ext. 5555 on campus)