Carolina Ladder of Risk

Each of our organizations operate under national and/or local risk management expectations that come directly (or indirectly) from FIPG (the Fraternal Information & Programming Group) policy. While the leadership of our organizations typically understand and appreciate the importance of these expectations in the safe and responsible management of social events where alcohol is present, they often face challenges within their organizations helping general members appreciate why the policies exist and how they are practically applied.

The Carolina Ladder of Risk program, adapted from Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity risk management education, takes FIPG policy and simplifies the language, digs into the "why" behind the policy, and helps chapters implement the expectations through a social event planning guide process. Each chapter participates in this educational program, typically sending presidents, risk managers, social chairs and new member educators to participate. When opportunities arise, entire chapters participate.

At the most basic level, the LOR teaches:

1. Chapters should follow the law.

2. Chapters should not provide alcohol (events are BYOB or 3rd party vendor only).

3. Events should be closed to invited guests only.

4. Alcohol should not be part of the joining process.

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