

Safety & Infection Control

- OSHA: Practice Universal Precautions
- Fire: R A C E
- TB patients
- Codes (see attachments)

Your Infection Control responsibilities include following **Universal/Standard Blood and Body Substance Precautions and Transmission-Based Isolation practices.**

In order to comply with JCAHO standards, we are required to provide orientation information concerning Safety and Infection Control. It is important to know the steps to take if there was an emergency fire. R-A-C-E is the four step plan we follow at SAH: It stands for

Rescue

Alert

Contain

Extinguish

The Nursing staff will place patients in isolation according to policy except for TB patients. An order for Airborne Isolation is required to place a known or suspected TB patient in a negative pressure room. If TB is suspected prior to admission, request a negative pressure room for Airborne Isolation when speaking with the Nurse/House Supervisor.

ST. DAVID'S HEALTHCARE DISASTER ACTION GUIDE

SPECIFIC SIGNALS - GENERAL SIGNALS

RED FIRE	ORANGE Hazardous Mat	GRAY Tornado	WHITE Disaster	GREEN Evacuation
<p>Pull station/Extinguisher locations refer to safety charts/maps posted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rescue if possible Call Security with location of fire Activate alarm pull station Close doors & windows Identify fire doors & exits Evacuate if necessary If fire is in an adjacent department or above or below, respond with available staff with fire extinguisher Remain alert for further instruction or "ALL CLEAR" R.A.C.E. – rescue alarm, contain/confine and extinguish P.A.S.S. – pull pin, aim, squeeze and sweep the base of the fire 	<p>Internal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clear the area/close doors Stop the leak/spill if it can be done safely Pull MSDS sheet Secure the area Call security with information Response team activated If there are victims, call ED Notify Director or supervisor Await further instructions <p>External</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Direct patients to outside of ED – NO entry to facility Possible lockdown of facility Patients triaged and decontaminated Remain alert for further instruction or "ALL CLEAR" 	<p>WATCH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Directors/Supv alert all staff Check for supplies (flashlights, blankets, etc) Close blinds and drapes Ensure critical eqpt is plugged into red plugs Remain alert and listen for further instruction <p>WARNING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close all doors Move away from windows, as much as possible Move patients to inner hallway Evacuate if necessary Remain alert for further instruction or "ALL CLEAR" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report back to your department PBX will page directors with instructions Assess staffing needs Hand carry staffing form to HR Assess bed availability & other resources (blood, food, water, etc) Refer to staffing chart and assume your assigned role Remain alert for further instruction or "ALL CLEAR" 	<p>Partial Evacuation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervisor completes quick head count of staff Report to your department if able. If not evacuate down, never go up Remain alert and listen for further instruction <p>Total Evacuation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervisor completes quick head count of staff All available staff report to nearest clinical area to assist evacuate to designated staging area, ambulatory patients go first Take medical records if possible Do not re-enter unless told to

SPECIFIC SIGNALS - ISOLATED EVENTS

BLACK Bomb	PURPLE Threatening Person	YELLOW Person Down	DR. LEO/CODE BLUE Cardiac Arrest
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Get all info you can from caller Try to keep caller on line while someone else calls Security Refrain from alarming patients and visitors DO NOT use cell phones or radios Search areas for anything suspicious, if found DO NOT TOUCH – call Security with exact location of object If object found, evacuate area cleared, call Security Remain alert for further instruction or "ALL CLEAR" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call Security DO NOT attempt to challenge or disarm individual Remain calm and maintain eye contact and talk to individual NEVER attempt to physically restrain or remove by yourself When response team arrives relay information Remain alert for further instruction or "ALL CLEAR" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call Security with exact location of person down Remain with the person until response team arrives Relay information Assist as needed Remain alert for further instructions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Go to closest exit and prevent anyone from leaving until help arrives Report suspicious people to security If you see a person with an infant that looks suspicious, STOP THEM, or follow them and call for help If possible check outside doors Remain alert for further instruction or "ALL CLEAR"