EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
FOR
RESIDENTS and Medical Students

Orientation
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WHY DO WE NEED A PLAN?

• State Licensure, CMS, Joint Commission requirement
• Assure preparation for a disaster
• Prepare to attend to the largest number of persons requiring medical care promptly and effectively
• Protect patients, visitors, and staff from injury
• Coordinate with the Hamilton County Emergency Operation Plan
• Prepare staff/resources for optimal performance
• Minimize loss
• Expedite recovery
INTRODUCTION

• The Hospital Incident Command System (HICS) – emergency management system with defined responsibilities, clear reporting channels, and common nomenclature to unify hospitals with outside emergency responders. It is used nationwide by hospitals and emergency responders.
Code Definitions

- **Code Red**: Fire
- **Code Orange**: Hazardous Material
- **Code Black**: Severe Weather
- **Code Evacuation**: Evacuation
- **Code Triage Standby**: Impending Event
- **Code Triage Activate**: Emergency Operation Plan Activated
- **Code Lockdown**: Facility Lockdown
- **Code Pink**: Infant/Child Abduction
- **Code Ella**: Missing Adult Patient
- **Code Grey**: Security Needed
- **Code Grey B**: Bomb Threat
- **Code Silver**: Active Shooter
- **Code Blue**: Adult Cardiac Arrest
- **Code “Five”**: Pediatric Cardiac Arrest
HICS Activation

- **Code Triage Standby:** Knowledge of emergency that will impact hospital, community, and need for analysis. Activates Emergency Incident Commander and Administration

- **Code Triage:** Activates the hospital’s Emergency Operation Plan
Code Red – Fire Drill…..

• The Joint Commission, State Licensure and CMS require fire drills once per quarter per shift
• Remember **RACE**:
  – **R**: Rescue any persons in immediate danger
  – **A**: Alert patients, staff, and visitors to fire/Smoke
    • Pulling the fire alarm
    • Switchboard will overhead page “Code Red and notify fire department
  – **C**: Confine the fire by closing doors to prevent it from spreading
    (also known as (“sheltering in place”))
  – **E**: Extinguish or Evacuate – (extinguish only small, controllable fires) Remember **PASS**
    – **P**: Pull the pin
    – **A**: Aim the hose at the base of the fire
    – **S**: Squeeze the trigger
    – **S**: Sweep the hose back and forth, walking slowly towards the fire
CODE PINK……

- Indicates that an infant/child has been abducted from the hospital and requires the immediate attention of every employee, patient, and visitor.

- LISTEN closely to operator… For example…(Code Pink” two year old, White Female…or, Code Pink, newborn, black male…..)

- Doorways will be manned by staff and security during the Code Pink

- If you see someone carrying a large package, backpack, etc…ask to see the contents, explain why you are searching the contents, for an abducted/missing infant/child.

- Remember….the abductor may change the clothes/hair color of a pediatric patient for disguise prior to leaving the facility
Your Responsibilities…..

• When you hear Code Triage......Respond promptly to the Medical Staff Command Center located in the Medical Affairs Conference Room (Erlanger 1st floor to the right and behind the “D” Elevators) – **Monday-Friday during business hours.**

• *After business hours and weekends* – report to the Hospital Command Center located in the former TeleOps Center – Command Center number is **9100**.

• You will be required to leave your name and pager number in order to contact you if needed for assignment.

• After you report to Medical Affairs or the Hospital Command Center, Residents and Fellows will report to your assigned area (*see the Residents Disaster Plan Assignment List included in the Online Resident Handbook and a handout at Orientation*). Medical Students will be assigned by the Command Center to areas where they can help. If you have questions, please ask the person in charge of the Physician Command Center in Medical Affairs (business hours Monday –Friday) extension **7977** or the Hospital Incident Commander located in the Hospital Command Center (after hours and weekends) extension **9100**.

• Be familiar with the area to which you are assigned.

• *Remember.....YOUR actions may save a life!*
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