

EMERGENCY CODES – An Important Notice For Your Safety

Standardized Emergency Codes are required to identify a risk or emergency situation within our facility. They will be announced over the public address system, and when there is no further risk you will hear the “all Clear” announced to end the Code. Codes are routinely tested to ensure we are prepared and they will be treated like we are experiencing the “real thing”. Staff are thoroughly trained to respond to each code, and will provide direction to you as needed..

Code/Emergency	What will happen?	What do I do?
Code RED- Fire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will hear bells or chimes; you will see flashing strobe lights from the ceilings in the corridors. You will hear “Code Red” and location announced 3 times. Further information about the fire will be announced as known. 	<p>For all Codes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain where you are. You will be directed if you are required to move or leave the building. Stay to one side of the hallway or in patient room - Staff will be responding quickly. Please remain calm.
Code GREEN-Evacuation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will hear “Code Green” and the location announced 3 times. Staff will move patients and visitors to a safe location. 	
Code BLACK – Bomb Threat/Suspicious Object	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will hear “Code Black - all staff initiate search” announced 3 times. Staff and Police will begin a methodical search of the area. 	
Code YELLOW – Missing Person	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will hear “Code Yellow” and a description of a missing person announced 3 times. Staff will begin a methodical search of the hospital and doors will be locked when cleared. 	
Code WHITE – Aggressive Person/Physical Danger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will hear “Code White” and the location announced 3 times. You will see trained staff responding to the area where the code was called. 	
Code BROWN – Internal Chemical Spill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will hear “Code Brown” and the location announced 3 times. Staff may be responding quickly to the area where the code was called. 	
Code AMBER – Missing Child	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will hear “Code Amber” and a description of a person announced 3 times. Staff will begin methodically searching the hospital and doors will be locked when cleared. 	
Code PURPLE – Hostage Taking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will hear “Code Purple” and the location announced 3 times. You will see staff and police responding to the area where the code was called. 	
Code GREY “Button Down” - Infrastructure loss or failure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will hear “Code Grey Button Down” announced 3 times on the public address system. This code indicates that there is an external environmental hazard such as a chemical spill or equipment failure. 	
Severe Weather	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will hear an announcement about a weather watch or warning. 	
Code BLUE or PINK - Cardiac Arrest (Child or Adult)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will hear “Code Blue (or Pink)” and the location announced 3 times. Staff will be responding quickly with a Crash Cart to the area where the code was called. 	
Code ORANGE- Internal or External Disaster	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will hear “Code Orange” and instructions for the hospital staff announced 3 times. Staff will be setting up specific areas to receive patients/ casualties and all doors will be locked for safety. 	