

CODE BLUE



WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

Alerts personnel that there is a Medical Emergency and provides clear direction on how to respond to any person experiencing an acute injury or illness that poses a risk to a person's life, such as:

- compromised airway
- respiratory and / or cardiac arrest.

WHAT DO I DO?

- Staff are responsible to support the arrival and ongoing care of the First Aiders/ EMS.
- If indicated, perform basic life support (BLS), including establishing an airway with equipment as available until EMS arrives.
- Direct EMS to the location of the patient.
- Assist as directed throughout the resuscitation.
- Ensure the client's medical records are in the room.
- Clear any excess equipment or supplies; assist other patients to move away from the area
- Contact the family and attending physician (if not already present).

Review it before you need it:

- Ensure that staff have Basic First Aid and CPR training as per legislation
- Familiarize yourself with any equipment and it's location
- Know how to alert others by either a call bell, overhead page, voice etc.

