

Continuing Care Emergency Response Code Training

Code Brown Chemical Spill/Hazardous Material Exercise Catalogue

Version 1.0 October 3, 2014

Continuing Care Emergency Response Code Training

Table of Contents

Code Brown Exercise – Blood (Biohazard) 3

Code Brown Exercise – Radiator Leak..... 4

Code Brown Exercise – Virox/Disinfectant Spill 5

Code Brown Exercise – Diesel Spill 6

Code Brown Exercise – Unknown Liquid..... 7

Continuing Care Emergency Response Code Training

Code Brown Exercise – Blood (Biohazard)

Purpose

To ensure your Continuing Care site has the ability to respond to a Code Brown.

Scope

Site dependent – can include one or more departments/units within a Site/Service.

This exercise may be an orientation, drill, table top, functional or full scale but is limited to one facility.

Objectives

- To evaluate existing site Emergency Response Code Plans related to Code Brown
- To establish a Command Post to manage the response
- To evaluate the ability to communicate the emergency within the facility
- To demonstrate the ability to maintain safety for staff, clients/patients and visitors during the incident

Narrative

Blood Spill Script

A member of the nursing staff is carrying a urinary catheter bag to be emptied. The patient is currently being treated for a urinary tract infection, and the urine is light reddish indicating there is blood present. As he/she turns to leave, the bag is accidentally dropped onto the floor and bursts open. The bag contains approx. 300mls of urine which splashes onto the floor and nearby cupboards. The blood tinged urine is also splashed onto the nurse's clothing. A Code Brown is initiated.

Continuing Care Emergency Response Code Training

Code Brown Exercise – Radiator Leak

Purpose

To ensure your Continuing Care site has the ability to respond to a Code Brown.

Scope

Site dependant – can include one or more departments/units within a Site/Service.

This exercise may be an orientation, drill, table top, functional or full scale but is limited to one facility.

Objectives

- To evaluate existing site Emergency Response Code Plans related to Code Brown
- To establish a Command Post to manage the response
- To evaluate the ability to communicate the emergency within the facility
- To demonstrate the ability to maintain safety for staff, clients/patients and visitors during the incident

Narrative

A motorized mule with several loaded carts is proceeding down a utility corridor. A wheel falls off the last cart and it becomes unbalanced and tips onto a radiator. The operator stops the mule to check for damages and on the contents of the load which has shifted. He uprights and stabilizes the cart. He hears a hissing noise and sees that steam is being released. His eyes are watering and he says they are “burning”.

Continuing Care Emergency Response Code Training

Code Brown Exercise – Virox/Disinfectant Spill

Purpose

To ensure your Continuing Care site has the ability to respond to a Code Brown.

Scope

Site dependant – can include one or more departments/units within a Site/Service.

This exercise may be an orientation, drill, table top, functional or full scale but is limited to one facility.

Objectives

- To evaluate existing site Emergency Response Code Plans related to Code Brown
- To establish a Command Post to manage the response
- To evaluate the ability to communicate the emergency within the facility
- To demonstrate the ability to maintain safety for staff, clients/patients and visitors during the incident

Narrative

You are walking past the cleaning supplies room on the first floor and notice a pool of light green liquid coming from under the closed door. You open the door and discover a case of Virox Disinfectant has fallen off the shelf and several of the containers inside have cracked open and have spilled out leaving about 5L of fluid on the floor.

Continuing Care Emergency Response Code Training

Code Brown Exercise – Diesel Spill

Purpose

To ensure your Continuing Care site has the ability to respond to a Code Brown.

Scope

Site dependant – can include one or more departments/units within a Site/Service.

This exercise may be an orientation, drill, table top, functional or full scale but is limited to one facility.

Objectives

- To evaluate existing site Emergency Response Code Plans related to Code Brown
- To establish a Command Post to manage the response
- To evaluate the ability to communicate the emergency within the facility
- To demonstrate the ability to maintain safety for staff, clients/patients and visitors during the incident

Narrative

Security Services* is completing their rounds on the night shift (0315 hrs). The officer gains access to the Facilities Maintenance and Engineering corridor. He proceeds into a mechanical room and observes a black thick liquid pooled on the floor where the diesel generator is housed. He estimates the amount of product to be approx. 20 to 30 gallons.

*Insert other staff if no security on site

Continuing Care Emergency Response Code Training

Code Brown Exercise – Unknown Liquid

Purpose

To ensure your Continuing Care site has the ability to respond to a Code Brown.

Scope

Site dependant – can include one or more departments/units within a Site/Service.

This exercise may be an orientation, drill, table top, functional or full scale but is limited to one facility.

Objectives

- To evaluate existing Site/Service Emergency Response Code Plans related to Code Brown
- To establish a Command Post to manage the response
- To evaluate the ability to communicate the emergency within the facility
- To demonstrate the ability to maintain safety for staff, clients/patients and visitors during the incident

Narrative

You have just started your evening shift as nurse on the LTC wing of your facility. You receive a call from a maintenance worker who was working after hours and ask you to come take a look at him. You discover a 42 old male who has chemical exposure to 20% of his body involving head, neck, and chest. He was working on the electrical panel and reached overhead to move an unmarked container. While pulling it off of the shelf the lid fell off and clear liquid splashed over the edge and hit the patient's chin, neck and entire front chest. Patient initially had mild pain or shortness of breath but now complaining of burning to eyes and throat and chest with difficulty swallowing. Area looks pink but no blistering.