

SAFETY SEGMENTS MAY



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| CARDIAC ARREST / MEDICAL EMERGENCY | CODE BLUE | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check for unresponsiveness Call for help Start CPR if required and trained |
| FIRE | CODE RED | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> R- remove from danger E- ensure door closed A- activate alarm C- call T- try to extinguish P- pull pin of fire extinguisher A- aim S- squeeze S- sweep |
| VIOLENCE / AGGRESSION | CODE WHITE | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wait for designated response staff |
| HOSTAGE | CODE PURPLE | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notify Conform off area Do not enter area of hostage taking |
| MISSING PERSON | CODE YELLOW | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Search immediate work area Assist as directed by response personnel Observe for suspicious activity |
| BOMB THREAT / SUSPICIOUS PACKAGE | CODE BLACK | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay calm and alert other staff Record info Conduct visual search Report any suspicious packages/items |
| SHELTER IN PLACE / AIR EXCLUSION | CODE GREY | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Everybody stays indoors Close all windows and doors Be prepared to evacuate if necessary |
| EVACUATION | CODE GREEN | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow evacuation instructions Provide assistance & documentation as required |
| CHEMICAL SPILL / HAZARDOUS MATERIAL | CODE BROWN | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stop all work Assess if Minor or Major spill Contain the spill as trained Remove unnecessary personnel |
| MASS CASUALTY | CODE | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wait for instruction from supervisor |

WHAT WE'RE LEARNING

From Code Blue to Brown, there are codes for most emergencies that we might be faced with. Do you know what to do in your organization for each of these emergencies? While the possibilities of some of these emergencies might be small, they still could happen. Having highlighted procedures and who to call at a glance can save some critical time when something happens. This also helps everyone *stay on the same page* (corny, I know) of what to do should the code be called. This can relieve some stress from the situation, knowing that there is a clear resource to turn to.

GUIDING QUESTIONS

- Looking at the sheet, who do you think you would call in each of these emergencies?
- What are the steps we would take in our organization based on this emergency (Pick one off of the list)?
- Do you have any suggestions on what we might do better in communicating this information to staff?

Notes to the Team Leader:

Facilitate an atmosphere of support and openness to feedback by encouraging the staff to share experiences or opinions without fear of reprisal.

DIRECTIONS

Start the discussion by setting the expectations for creating a safe space and respecting everyone's feedback. Print out or show an electronic copy of [AHS Fillable Code Colors](#). After everyone is done, use the guiding questions to facilitate a group discussion.