



## **FORENSIC STAFF ORIENTATION**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Welcome to the University of Miami School of Medicine. This information is being provided to familiarize you with our hospitals and our procedures in order to assure quality patient care. With this information, we are confident that the patient's therapeutic goals can be met while maintaining your safety as well as that of the inmate and healthcare workers. If at anytime you have questions, please direct them to the **charge nurse** of the unit where the patient's care is being administered. The charge nurse will have access to any hospital administrative figure that may be needed to help you. A designated hospital administrator will be on call at all hours and can be reached by pager.

### **HOSPITAL SECURITY - (305)-243-6000**

You may reach the campus security dispatcher at all times by calling 243-6000, or 6-6000 on in-house phones. Security personnel will assist you whenever possible, however they are not authorized to take responsibility of the inmate at anytime. This includes times when you may need to take a personal break. However should you need additional assistance with securing the inmate or should there be an escape attempt, security personnel will respond without hesitation.

### **CODE BLACK - Bomb Threat**

In the event of a bomb threat, a "Code Black" will be announced. Check the immediate area of the inmate and report any suspicious package to hospital security or the charge nurse. Follow any evacuation orders issued by security or local authorities.

### **CODE BLUE - Cardiac Arrest**

In the event of a Cardiac Arrest, a "Code Blue (Location)" will be announced. Medical personnel and security personnel will respond to the location to attend to the patient and security personnel will respond to assist with crowd control. If you are guarding the patient being coded, please step away (but stay within sight of the inmate) so personnel can perform their duties and stabilize the patient. Be prepared to remove shackles during this emergency if requested by the physician. Re-secure shackles onto the patient immediately after medical staff complete stabilizing efforts.

### **CODE RED - Fire**

During a Fire Drill, or if a fire should break out in the hospital, you will hear the fire alarm sounding throughout the building, in addition to a "Code Red (Location)" announcement. It is not our policy to evacuate the entire building, but only those areas necessary to move occupants to safety (i.e. beyond the nearest safe smoke barrier). Unless the fire is in your room, close the patient's door and remain in the room. In the event the fire is located on the floor were you are located, the nurses will give you specific orders on what to do. If the nursing staff or fire officials order further evacuation, it is your responsibility

to remain with the patient at all times during the evacuation. An "All Clear" will be announced when it is safe to resume normal activity.

## **CODE GREEN EXTERNAL / INTERNAL - Disaster**

In the event of a disaster drill or a community-wide disaster, a "Code Green (external/internal)" will be announced. You should take no action during this code unless you receive specific instruction from the charge nurse in your unit.

## **CODE ORANGE - Hazardous Material Spill**

In the event of a hazardous materials spill, a "Code Orange" will be announced. You should take no action during this code unless you receive specific instruction from the charge nurse in your unit. If you see a hazardous materials spill, report it to any nurse or Security.

## **CODE PINK - Infant/Child Abduction**

In the event a child or infant is abducted, a "Code Pink" will be announced. Take notice of your surroundings and report any suspicious activity involving a child that you see to Security, such as an adult running with a child or an adult carrying something large enough to conceal an infant. Otherwise, you should take no action during this code.

## **CODE GREY - Security Alert**

In the event a security alert, a "Code Grey" will be announced. No action is required unless the alert is in the immediate area of the inmate. If so, follow your own department policy to secure the inmate and follow directions by hospital security or local authorities. Report any suspicious activity to Security immediately.

## **CODE BROWN - Severe Weather Warning**

In the event severe weather, a "Code Brown" will be announced. If you are in a closed and structurally sound room, remain where you are with the inmate. If you are in an open area, or an area that becomes compromised due to the weather, seek shelter with the inmate, considering public safety. Follow any specific directions given by the charge nurse or Security.