


Strathmere Lodge

	Manual	Fire & Emergency
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Medical Emergency – Code Blue

Purpose

To ensure that all necessary steps are followed in the event that a resident, staff, volunteer, or visitor find themselves in medical distress (*e.g., cardiac arrest/need for cardiopulmonary resuscitation, anaphylaxis, seizure/convulsion*).

Definition/Clarification:

Charge Nurse assigned to Home Area

Charge Nurse for the building after-hours

Procedure

1. Initiating The Code Blue

As soon as it has been discovered that a person is in medical distress, the Charge Nurse must be notified immediately.

2. The Charge Nurse will take control of the situation.

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1. The Charge Nurse will assess the person for injury and the ability to breathe.
2. If it's a resident, the Charge Nurse will direct another Nurse to check the resident's chart for resuscitation efforts.
3. The Charge Nurse will direct a staff member to retrieve the defibrillator while commencing CPR.
4. The defibrillator is located: In the Rose Room by the elevator next to Hickory Woods.
5. The Charge Nurse will direct a person to call "9-1-1", and to meet the first responders at the Front Entrance.
6. The Charge Nurse will ensure that the resident's family members are contacted, and transfer documents are prepared.
7. If the medical event occurs to staff, volunteers, or visitors the Charge Nurse will endeavor to locate and notify the next of kin.

Staff are to be familiar with the location of Red Emergency buttons throughout the common areas of the Home:

Rose Room:

1. By the elevator door (1st floor, car #2) near Bear Creek door.
2. Inside the chapel wall on the left side.
3. On the wall behind the Ward Clerk's office.
4. Inside the family dining room.

Home Areas:

5. Home Area dining room wall near the servery.
6. Home Area dining room wall adjacent to the fireplace.
7. Home area spa tub room.