Safety Codes and Responses

All students and job shadow participants are expected to: understand, report, and assist in safety emergencies.

The following table represents an overview of code words to used to communicate during emergencies. Scroll down the entire page to read specific information about each situation, or click on each situation to obtain specific procedure to be followed. After initial emergency response students and job shadow participants are to contact the Swedish Medical Center employee who is supervising them for assistance.

| Situation | Code Name | Number to Call |
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| Medical Emergency | Code Blue Adult Code Blue Pediatric (children) Code Blue Neonate (newborns) (Call 911 for outpatient site) | Special emergency telecom operator State your name Name the type of code State the specific location Provide a short description, e.g. smell smoke, not breathing, chemo spill |
| CVA/Acute Stroke | Code BART (Brain Attack Response Team-Inpatients only) Code Stroke (ED patient with stroke symptoms) | |
| Rapid Clinical Consultation Needed | RRT (Rapid Response Team) | |
| Falls | Code Jack (Patient or person has fallen to floor) | |
| Patient Threatening | Code Gray | |
| Employee or Visitor Threatening | Mr. North | |

| Gun/Hostage | Code Silver: internal, external or defend in place |
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| Fire or Smoke | Code Red |
| Hazardous Spill | Code Orange |
| Infant/Child Abduction | Code Amber Alert (through age 17) |
| Missing Adult Patient | Code Purple |
| Internal Disaster | Code Triage: Internal (limited or full evacuation) |
| External Disaster | Code Triage: External (limited or full evacuation) |
| Baby Birth Outside Labor and Delivery Room | Code OB STAT |

- **DRILL** signals a learning opportunity! Staff and students are expected to initiate emergency procedures for each code as if it were a "real" event.
- **STANDBY** indicates a possible emergency and we are waiting for more information. For example a "code triage external STANDBY" is paged indicating that all staff is expected to remain on duty until the emergency code is announced in full, cleared, or permitted to leave by manager or instructor.
- You may also hear a preceding page alerting all staff and visitors to stay away from a specific location until further notice.
- ALL CLEAR indicates the code situation is resolved. You may then resume your normal duties.