
















Beaumont Emergency Codes

OVERHEAD ANNOUNCEMENT	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSE
 CODE RED	Fire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rescue – Alarm – Contain – Extinguish • Pull – Aim – Squeeze – Sweep • do not use elevators • return to department/assigned area
 MEDICAL ALERT	Medical emergency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • call site medical number • initiate BLS care if trained to do so
 SEVERE WEATHER ALERT	Tornado watch/warning; any type of severe weather	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • close curtains, move away from windows to protected area • follow instructions for patient movement if announced
 SECURITY STAT	Physical management situation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • protect self, visitors and patients from harm • avoid location until All Clear is announced
 CODE BLACK	Bomb threat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • search announced area/location • report any unusual items immediately – do not disturb them • evacuate as directed by Security
 AMBER ALERT	Missing child (patient or visitor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • secure all exits, conduct search for missing infant/child • contact Security if sighted
 EXTERNAL INCIDENT EXTERNAL INCIDENT - HAZMAT	Hospital has been notified of large influx of casualties from a single incident. HAZMAT announced if patients require decontamination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • return to department/assigned area • initiate department specific mass casualty protocols • avoid decontamination area unless properly trained
SECURITY ALERT +		
 ACTIVE VIOLENCE/ SHOOTER	Can include any type of violence/weapon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • secure immediate area until all clear given • if in affected area – Run, Hide, Fight
 ELOPEMENT	Missing patient under elopement precautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • call site Security number • conduct search, notify Security if patient located
 LOCKDOWN	Situation requiring Security to temporarily limit the movement of staff, patients and visitors within the facility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • full lockdown – all facility access points closed • partial lockdown – controlled access to facility, entrance/exit from announced area only • unit specific – no entrance/exit to unit
 MISSING VULNERABLE ADULT	Missing cognitively impaired adult (visitor only)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • search work area for missing adult • contact Security if sighted
FACILITY ALERT +		
 SYSTEM/UTILITY FAILURE	Failure of IT application or utility. Specific system or utility will be announced after "Facility Alert"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • follow response procedure for announced system
 CODE ORANGE	Internal hazardous spill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prohibit anyone from entering area • contact Security • all staff – avoid announced area of spill
 EVACUATION	Specific unit/area or full facility will be announced	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • leave immediate area if unsafe • return to department or work area for further instructions
 ALL CLEAR	Previously announced incident has ended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • return to normal operations