

IN HOSPITAL
VOLUNTEER CODE RED

GHVA

GROVES HOSPITAL VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATION



TREAT EVERY FIRE ALARM AS A REAL FIRE

- You don't get a second chance!



WHAT IF THE FIRE IS IN MY AREA?

- **R.E.A.C.T.**

REACT Is a commonly used term to help you to remember what do in the event the fire is in your area.

- ✓ **R** emove persons from immediate danger
- ✓ **E** nsure fire is contained –shut doors
- ✓ **A** ctivate the fire alarm system –pull station
- ✓ **C** all switchboard –state code red, location
- ✓ **T** ry to extinguish the fire, if safe to do so

CALL SWITCHBOARD - STATE CODE RED , LOCATION



- GMCH - DIAL 3333

CODE RED RESPONSE

- Nursing Unit Team Leaders will always respond to the fire site and take initial command of the Code Red and act as the Incident Manager until relieved by a more senior manager or the fire department arrives.
- All managers in the building will respond to the Fire Site. Most appropriate Manager, will relieve the Nursing Unit Team Leader of the Incident Manager role and begin delegating responsibilities.
- Fire Marshall (Manager Mtc. or delegate) will respond to the Fire Site to assist with containing the fire and work with the fire department on their arrival



WHAT DO I DO?



- REACT has already been activated
- People will have been removed from the room or immediate area of the fire and help is coming.
- In your area, **you will take instructions from staff and or Incident Manager** who will decide if staffing pool and/or code green (Evacuation) needs to be activated.
- “Unassigned” staff and volunteers who have not been delegated a specific responsibility are to return to their departments to clear the area, close all doors and windows, turn on the lights and put on the ‘room checked and clear’ tab on the door. Then, wait for further instructions in the corridor.

ROOM CHECKED AND CLEAR TAB GMCH

- Once the room/department has been checked flip the white tab up to indicate the room is checked and clear.



WHAT INSTRUCTIONS AM I WAITING FOR IN THE CORRIDOR?

- Once you have completed any code red duties that have been assigned to you – ‘unassigned’ staff will wait for further instructions. These instructions will be announced over the Overhead paging system or the annunciator within a few minutes and you will hear:

1. All ‘unassigned’ staff please report to the Staffing Pool (located at the switchboard) or the GMCH Emergency Waiting Room.

OR/

2. Code Red ALL CLEAR



CREATING A CULTURE OF SAFETY

Use every fire alarm as an opportunity to practice. While you are waiting.....

- ✓ Do you know where your nearest pull station is?
- ✓ Do you know what fire zone you are in?
- ✓ Do you know where the nearest fire hose cabinet and extinguisher are located?
- ✓ Do you know where the enunciator panel is located to promptly report fire locations?
- ✓ Do you know where the staffing pools are located?

STAY CALM & CARRY ON

- Good Judgment and Common Sense will prevail – Great people work here!!!!
- We have a solid plan.
- We will practice, practice, practice and continue to improve plan.



RESOURCES

- Fire Marshall –Joe Gurney, Mgr Bldg Services or delegate Mark Clark.
- Health and Safety Committees
- Ontario Regulation 213/07 under the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997

MODEL THE WAY AND STAY SAFE

THANK YOU