HOSPITAL POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Category: Emergency Conditions
Title: EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN (EOP)
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PURPOSE
This policy provides an overall guidance to describe the Emergency Operations Plan for Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Inc. This policy is inclusive of the previously separate External Disaster Policies and Internal Disaster Policies which now provides the evidence of a comprehensive Emergency Operation Plan (EOP).

POLICY
It is the policy of Thomas Jefferson University Hospitals to provide a comprehensive plan to respond to the effects of potential emergencies that fall on a continuum from disruptive to disastrous.

The four phases of emergency management are mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery which are described with the EOP in order to help TJUH, Inc. to focus its strategy for mitigating the potential effects of emergencies, as well as the approach to preparedness that will help TJUH, Inc. to organize and mobilize its resources. This EOP is used to define our response to emergencies and to help us position ourselves for recovery after the emergency has passed.

PROCEDURE
The Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Inc. developed an “all hazards” plan to guide preparedness, response and recovery to emergencies and disasters, internal and external. It is supplemented by other specific documents (cited throughout the plan). This is an operational document to guide staff and physicians in an emergency response. This plan applies to the enterprise and all associated offices and facilities, and staff and physicians working at those locations.

The objective of the EOP is to maintain the continuity of patient care operations and meet the medical needs of our hospital members and the members of the community.

Attachment(s):
1. 2011 Emergency Operations Plan (EOP)
2. MHD Internal Flood Annex
3. MHD Decon Annex
4. Center City Decon Annex
5. MHD Mass Casualty Annex
6. Center City Mass Casualty Annex
7. MHD Severe Weather Annex
8. Center City Severe Weather Annex

Attachment 1: 2011 Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) (Word)
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Attachment 3: MHD Decon Annex (Word)
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Attachment 5: MHD Mass Casualty Annex (Word)
Attachment 6: Center City Mass Casualty Annex (Word)
Attachment 7: MHD Severe Weather Annex (Word)
Attachment 8: Center City Severe Weather Annex (Word)

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