

Partial Hospital and Intensive Outpatient Programs - Unit Practice Manual
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PROTOCOL FOR: Code Blue or Medical Emergency in PHP/IOP: Staff Response to

- POLICY:**
1. PHP/IOP staff provides emergency medical treatment according to established guidelines until Code Blue or rapid Response Team arrives.
 2. Until assistance arrives, treatment will be provided according to BLS guidelines.
 3. A staff person shall be appointed to obtain the Code Cart from the ECT suite, using the ECT suite keys marked with a red key holder. (These keys will be attached to a red key ring and located in the chart room hanging on the back of chart room door.)
 4. A designated staff person shall remove the ambu bag from the top left shelf of the chart room and bring it to the scene for use as necessary.
 5. A staff person shall be appointed to redirect other patients that might be in the treatment area in order to continue to maintain a safe and supportive environment for all patients.
 6. A staff person shall be appointed to make sure that the physical environment of the patient care area is easily accessible for emergency responders. A staff person shall be appointed to stand ready by the patient transport elevators to direct emergency responders to the scene.
 7. PHP/IOP medical personnel or the staff member in charge will give report to the emergency responder in charge.
 8. A staff person shall be appointed to make copies of the persons PHP/IOP order sheet, Medication Reconciliation form and any pertinent progress notes or other information from the chart; the latter information as necessary for emergency intervention. This paperwork will be given to the emergency responder in charge at the scene.
 9. The patient's disposition will be determined by the PHP/IOP medical personnel and emergency responders. The patient may require transfer to the JDH Emergency Department.
 10. The patient's emergency contact will be notified.

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