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Director
Legislative Counsel Bureau
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Dear Director of Legislative Counsel Bureau:

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Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

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**REPORT TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU PURSUANT TO
NRS 439.877(4)(D)- SUBMITTED BY:**

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VIA E-MAIL

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The Patient Safety Committee has established patient safety checklists and patient safety policies to ensure both medical and non-medical personnel follow protocols. The following is a list of these checklists and policies but are not limited to the below.

Policy/Checklist	Reviewed**	Revised****	New	Usage***
Disaster Plan	X			FANS
Diet Orders	X			FANS
Menu and Nutritional Analysis	X			FANS
Computer Downtime Procedures	X			FANS
Assessment of Competency	X			FANS
HACCP Food Safety Program	X			FANS
Expired Recalled Product	X			FANS
Patient Profile System	X			FANS
Interdisciplinary Team Meetings	X			FANS
Employee In-Service Program	X			FANS
Dating of Floor Stock	X			FANS
Meal Substitutions	X			FANS
Employee Health	X			FANS
Food From Outside the Hospital	X			FANS
Personal Hygiene	X			FANS
Dented Cans	X			FANS
Chipped and Cracked China	X			FANS
Cutting Boards	X			FANS
Pest Control	X			FANS
Ticket to Ride and Patient Hand-Off			X	Hospital Wide
Universal Protocol - SP		X		Surgical Services
Titration of Continuous Infusion Medication and Use of Block Charting - SP		X		Nursing
Code Blue - Resuscitation		X		Hospital Wide
Telemetry Safety		X		Hospital Wide
Drug Storage Medication Warmer - SP			X	Pharmacy
Drug Selection and Procurement Medication Dose Rounding - SP			X	Pharmacy
Medication Samples - SP		X		Pharmacy
Ice Handling	X			FANS

Imaging Services, QC, and QA - SP	X			Radiology
Emergency Operations Plan and Response Plans 2023			X	Hospital Wide
Sputum Culture			X	Respiratory
Code STEMI Activation from Emergency Room			X	ED
Orientation to PACU	X			Surgical Services
Surgical Attire - SP			X	Surgical Services
Blood Administration Policy - SP			X	Hospital Wide
Safety of the Patient at Risk for Suicide - Behavioral Health	X			Behavioral Health
Isolation Guidelines - SP			X	Hospital Wide
Bed Bugs, Lice, and Scabies - SP			X	Hospital Wide
Food Allergies	X			FANS
Healthcare Technology Management Medical Equipment Management Plan			X	HTN
Scope of Service Cardiology Non-Invasive			X	Cardiology
8.0 UHS Compliance Hotline Program			X	Hospital Wide
12.0 Compliance Document Retention			X	Hospital Wide
13.0 Exclusion, Debarment and Sanction Screening			X	Hospital Wide
18.0 Anti-Corruption and Anti-Bribery Policy			X	Hospital Wide
21.0 Non-Retaliation Policy			X	Hospital Wide
22.0 Physician Non-Monetary Compensation and Medical Staff Incidental Benefits			X	Hospital Wide
7.0 Reporting Unethical or Illegal Conduct			X	Hospital Wide
5.0 Facility Compliance Officers			X	Hospital Wide
3.1 Facility Compliance Committee			X	Hospital Wide
2.0 UHS Chief Compliance and Privacy Officer			X	Hospital Wide
9.1 Facility Surveillance Video Camera Recording			X	Hospital Wide
Code Gray			X	Hospital Wide
Enteral Formulary	X			FANS
Diet Manual	X			FANS
Nutrient Drug Interaction	X			FANS
Nutrition Services Along the Continuum of Care	X			FANS
Inpatient Return to ED within 30 Days				X Hospital Wide

Fire Response Plan Coded Red			X	NLV
Fire Drills			X	NLV
Fire Safety Management Plan			X	NLV
Fire Watch for Hot Work, Fire Alarm, and Fire Sprinkler Outages Policy and Procedure			X	NLV
Maintenance and Testing of Piped Medical Gas			X	NLV
Infection Control in MRI - SP	X			Radiology
Critical Test Results Reporting - SP	X			Hospital Wide
Elopement and Wandering Prevention - SP		X		Hospital Wide
Patient Grievance and Complaint Management - SP	X			Hospital Wide
Code STEMI in an Inpatient Area		X		Hospital Wide
Code STEMI Activation from Emergency Room		X		ED
Code STEMI Pit Stop		X		ED
Negative Pressure Wound Therapy		X		Hospital Wide
Clozaril		X		Pharmacy
Emergency Medications	X			Pharmacy
Code Triage			X	Hospital Wide
POC Laboratory 016 - POC ACT - Ki-STAT Testing			X	Hospital Wide
Point of Care Glucometer Testing - Abbott Precision Xceed Pro		X		Respiratory
Xenon 133 Records and Testing	X			Radiology
Code Blue in MRI - SP	X			Radiology
Code Red in MRI - SP	X			Radiology
Guide for Fecal Bacteriotherapy	X			Endoscopy
Emergency Endoscopy		X		Endoscopy
Food and Nutrition Services Sanitation Program	X			FANS
Protective Spit Hood	X			Hospital Wide
Emergency Operations Plan and Response Plans 2024		X		Hospital Wide
Infant and Pediatric Abduction - Code Pink		X		Hospital Wide
Prescribing of Non-Formulary Drugs - SP		X		Pharmacy
Push Dose Vasopressors - SP			X	Hospital Wide
Medication and Staff Security - SP	X			Pharmacy
Drug Diversion Reporting - SP		X		Hospital Wide

Nozin Pre-op	X			Surgical Services
Intraperitoneal Chemotherapy	X			Surgical Services
Unit Closure	X			Surgical Services
Scheduling of Surgical Procedures	X			Surgical Services
Observers in the OR - SP	X			Surgical Services
Primary Surgeon's Intraoperative Responsibilities Concurrent Surgeries and Overlapping Surgeries	X			Surgical Services
SPD Failure of Utilities	X			Surgical Services
Multidrug Resistant Organisms (MDRO) - SP		X		Hospital Wide
Infection Control Delineation of Authority - SP		X		Hospital Wide
Tuberculosis (TB) Exposure Control Plan - SP		X		Hospital Wide
Provision of Care Treatment and Services Plan		X		Hospital Wide
Quality Plan		X		Hospital Wide
Infection Control Plan		X		Hospital Wide
Patient Safety/Risk Management Plan		X		Hospital Wide
Environmental Safety Plan		X		Hospital Wide
Storage and Use of Implant Tissue - SP		X		Surgical Services
Handling of Specimens - SP		X		Surgical Services
Scheduling of Surgical Procedures		X		Surgical Services
Surgical Skin Antisepsis Guidelines - SP	X			Surgical Services
Sterilization - All Methods - SP		X		Surgical Services
Sterilization - Low Temperature Hydrogen Peroxide Vapor or Plasma and Hydrogen Peroxide Combined with Ozone - SP	X			Surgical Services
Compliance 16.0 - Conflict of Interest - SP		X		Hospital Wide
Compliance 15.0 - Billing and Claims Reimbursement - SP		X		Hospital Wide
Compliance 14.0 - Response to Government Inquiries, Investigations or Audits - SP		X		Hospital Wide
COMPLIANCE 9.0 - Internal Investigation - SP		X		Hospital Wide
COMPLIANCE 6.0 - Education Federal and State False Claims Law		X		Hospital Wide
COMPLIANCE 1.0 - Compliance Program - SP		X		Hospital Wide
DNR - Withholding and Withdrawing Life Support - SP	X			Hospital Wide
Epidural Catheters			X	Nursing

Targeted Temperature Management (TTM) - Code Chill - SP		X		Nursing
Code White/Code White Large Vessel Occlusion (LVO)		X		Hospital Wide
Angioedema due to Thrombolytic Therapy: Guidelines for Treatment - SP		X		Pharmacy
Monitoring and Reporting of Adverse Drug Events - SP		X		Pharmacy
Pneumatic Tube System Transport Guidelines - SP	X			Hospital Wide
Procurement and Distribution of Medications in Short Supply - SP	X			Pharmacy
Pharmacy-Driven Procalcitonin Protocol - SP		X		Pharmacy
Automatic Substitutions for Radiology Exams - SP		X		Radiology
Radiation Program Chain of Command		X		Radiology
Sealed Sources in Nuclear Medicine	X			Radiology
Intravenous Catheter Insertion and or Blood Sampling by Radiology Technologist	X			Radiology
Periprocedural Guidelines in Radiology	X			Radiology
Radiology Preventative Maintenance	X			Radiology
Quality Control in Nuclear Medicine	X			Radiology
Patient Dose Optimization	X			Radiology
Ultrasound Gel	X			Radiology
Mammographer Qualifications	X			Radiology
MRI Screening for Unconscious Unresponsive and/or AMS Patients	X			Radiology
Opening Packages Containing Radioactive Materials	X			Radiology
Limited Quantity Return and Limits	X			Radiology
Limiting Radiation Exposure to Pediatric Patients	X			Radiology
Radiation Exposure Safety for Patients	X			Radiology
Radiation Exposure Safety for Staff	X			Radiology
Licensing Regulations	X			Radiology
Radiology Hours of Operation	X			Radiology
Sexual Assault Domestic Violence Victims - SP	X			Hospital Wide
Termination of Physician-Patient Relationship - SP	X			Hospital Wide
Donation After Circulatory Death - SP	X			Hospital Wide
Workplace Violence Prevention Plan		X		Hospital Wide

Management of Assaultive Behavior-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Interdisciplinary Treatment Plan-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Assessment and Reassessment-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Patient Family Involvement in Treatment- BH	X			Behavioral Health
Patient Comprehensive Assessment-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Patient Care Assignments-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Occupational and Physical Therapy Consults-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Room Searches-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Petition for Court Ordered Admission Legal 2000 Petition-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Patient Visitation Rights-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Patient Responsibilities-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Patient Photos for Identification-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Warrants and Other Court Documents Served to Patients-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Vocational Screening-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Staff Interactions and Relationships-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Special Precautions Guidelines-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Search Contraband and Patient Belongings-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Education Communication Patient and Family-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Informed Consent for Psychoactive Medication	X			Behavioral Health
Functional Screening Assessments	X			Behavioral Health
Employee Relationships with Clients	X			Behavioral Health
Observation Rounds-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Discharge Planning-BH	X			Behavioral Health
Confidentiality	X			Behavioral Health
Syphilis Screening for Pregnant Patients - SP	X			ED
Sterilization - Immediate Use Steam Sterilization - SP	X			Surgical Services
Surgical Instruments - Point of Use, Cleaning, and Transport - SP	X			Surgical Services
Sterilization - Steam - SP	X			Surgical Services
Inpatient Sepsis Screening and Notification			X	Nursing
Emergency Department Sepsis Identification	X			ED
Contrast Administration for Imaging Exams - SP		X		Radiology
Medication Profiles - SP		X		Pharmacy

Infiltration and Extravasation Management - SP		X		Hospital Wide
Fall Prevention - SP		X		Hospital Wide
Patient Bill of Rights and Patient Responsibilities - SP	X			Hospital Wide
Behavioral Restraints Checklist			X	Behavioral Health
Post Coronary Angiogram/PCI/Venogram Checklist		X		Nursing
Mental Health Crisis Suicide Documentation Checklist		X		Nursing
Stroke Thrombolytic IR Thrombectomy Monitoring Checklist		X		Nursing

New Patient Safety Policy and Checklists Developed	Usage***
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Summary of Review	Total # Developed	Total # Revised	Total # Reviewed
Patient Safety Checklists and Policies	15	71	100

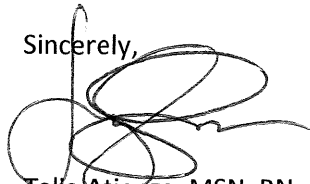
**Checklists and Patient Safety Policies were reviewed and/or revised for the stated time period.

***Usage outlines the units/departments the policies/checklists are used in.

****As part of the annual review any required revisions will be identified. If revisions are required this is noted in the revision box. Any additional patient safety checklists or policies identified will be noted in this (review) column. If the annual review reveals no changes are required, this box will be marked with an "X". An "X" means that the checklists and policies were reviewed but no changes were required.

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