Emergency Codes

Do you know the NEW Codes?

Hospitals in California are working together to improve patient safety by using a standardized set of emergency codes.

Standardizing emergency codes between Kaiser Permanente Southern California Medical Centers will simplify emergency response for physicians and staff who may work in multiple hospitals.

New codes go into effect January 1, 2011!

New Code	Overhead Page	Description
CODE RED	Code Red	FIRE
CODE BLUE	Code Blue	ADULT MEDICAL EMERGENCY
CODE WHITE	Code White: Pediatric Medical	PEDIATRIC MEDICAL EMERGENCY
CODE PINK	Code Pink: Infant Secure	INFANT ABDUCTION (up to 6 months)
CODE PURPLE	Code Purple: Child Secure	CHILD ABDUCTION (6 months to 13 yrs)
CODE GREEN	Code Green: Adult Secure	MISSING HIGH RISK PATIENT
CODE YELLOW	Code Yellow	BOMB THREAT
CODE GRAY	Code Gray	COMBATIVE PERSON
CODE SILVER	Code Silver	PERSON w/ WEAPON OR HOSTAGE SITUATION
CODE ORANGE	Code Orange: Material Spill	HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SPILL / RELEASE
CODE TRIAGE – EMERGENCY ALERT	Code Triage: Emergency Alert	LIMITED ACTIVATION OF SELECTED KEY PERSONNEL FOR POTENTIAL INCIDENT
CODE TRIAGE – INTERNAL	Code Triage Internal: Internal disruption of normal operations	ACTIVATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN FOR INTERNAL INCIDENT THAT MAY DISRUPT NORMAL OPERATIONS
CODE TRIAGE – EXTERNAL	Code Triage External: External disruption of normal operations	ACTIVATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN FOR EXTERNAL INCIDENT THAT MAY DISRUPT NORMAL OPERATIONS
HEALTH CONNECT OUTAGE	Health Connect Downtime	HEALTH CONNECT DOWNTIME
CODE STROKE	Code Stroke	SUSPECTED OR ACTUAL STROKE OF AN ADULT PATIENT
PATIENT IN DISTRESS	Patient in Distress	MEDICAL OFFICE BUILDING ONLY: VICTIMS ARE RESPONSIVE BUT REQUIRE IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE DUE TO INJURY OR ILLNESS

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