

Colour Code Quick Reference Guide



To activate a code dial 7111

Refer to the site Emergency Response and Code Manual for site specific procedures

Code	Who can activate	Who responds	What to do
Red	Fire Anyone discovering smoke or fire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All staff Code Red Response Team Fire Department 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remove people Activate alarm Contain smoke/fire Extinguish/Evacuate
Blue*	Cardiac Arrest Medical Emergency <small>*Adult/Pediatric where applicable</small> Anyone who finds a person in an immediate medical emergency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Code Blue Team 	Make way for Code Blue Team, give assistance as directed
White	Violence/Aggressive Behaviour Anyone who witnesses violent/aggressive behaviour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Code White Team Security 	Assist as trained to do so or as directed
Yellow	Missing Patient/Resident Charge Nurse/Designate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All staff 	Refer to missing patient/resident description, search area
Green	Evacuation Administrator In-Charge/Designate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All staff 	Prepare to assist with evacuation and/or receive patients in your work area
Orange	Mass Casualty/Disaster Administrator In-Charge/Designate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All staff 	Activate functional area or departmental plan as directed
Black	Bomb Threat Administrator In-Charge/Designate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All staff Security Police 	Give assistance as directed, conduct a visual search of your area for unusual objects
Brown	Hazardous Spill Supervisor/Designate when spill/leak meets workplace health guidelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contracted Chemical Response Team 	Keep yourself and others away from spill
Grey	System Failure Administrator In-Charge/Designate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> System specialists 	Give assistance as directed, refer to downtime and code procedures
Pink	Obstetric/Neonatal Emergency Clinical staff in designated units	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Code Pink Team 	Make way for Code Pink Team
Amber	Missing or Abducted Infant/Child Manager/Designate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All staff 	Refer to missing or abducted infant/child description, search area
Silver	Active Attacker Anyone who discovers/witnesses/encounters an active attacker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All staff Police 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RUN if there is a safe escape route HIDE if you cannot evacuate FIGHT if your life is in IMMINENT danger

Consider your safety first in any emergency