



Applies To: UNMH Responsible Department: Life Safety Revised: 07.08.16

Title: Interim Life Safety Measures	Procedure
Patient Age Group: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> All Ages <input type="checkbox"/> Newborns <input type="checkbox"/> Pediatric <input type="checkbox"/> Adult	

DESCRIPTION/OVERVIEW

To assure the safety of all building occupants during periods when the Life Safety Code is not met or during periods of construction in any of the UNMH buildings delivering health care services.

REFERENCES

The Joint Commission, 2016, Life Safety Chapter, LS.01.02.01 EP 1-14

AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

The Life Safety Department and the Construction and Planning Department are responsible for ensuring that all construction projects and/or deficiencies affecting Life Safety ~~of~~ said a

ctivities. Designated staff may be assigned to conduct periodic inspections of the construction site and document findings on the Construction Site Inspection form or the Project Surveillance Log. Interim Life Safety Measures (ILSM), will be implemented as follows:

1. Provide processes for maintaining clear exits. The hospital will post signage identifying the location of alternate exits to everyone affected as deemed necessary. This includes areas directly affected as well as all other exits. It may be deemed necessary to train affected personnel of designated alternative or temporary exits (before the changes are made). Exits in and near the affected areas must be inspected daily under Hazard Surveillance rounds. Areas under construction must maintain escape routes for construction workers at all times.
2. Provide free access to emergency departments or services and for fire, police and other emergency services. Alternate access must be provided for public and emergency traffic whenever a disruption occurs. Policy and procedures must ensure that roads and pathways are clear of snow, materials, etc.
3. Ensure that the fire alarm detection and suppression systems are in good working order. A temporary but equivalent system/plan must be provided when any fire system is not working. Temporary systems must be inspected and tested each month and appropriate documentation

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should accompany each inspection and test. A documented fire watch is acceptable in lieu of a temporary detection/suppression system. An alternate system or plan must be provided any time the primary system is off-line for a period greater than 4 hours. Proper notification must be made to local authorities (fire, police, other) whenever life safety is diminished.

NOTE: If the fire alarm or fire sprinkler systems are disabled for four or more hours in a 24 hour period, a fire watch will be implemented and documented and the fire department must be notified.

4. Temporary construction partitions are smoke tight and constructed from non-combustible materials. Adequate signage shall discourage casual observers from opening or entering the partitions.
5. The Life Safety Department will ensure all existing fire-fighting equipment in all areas of the present facilities are functional and operational. During construction, the contractor shall provide sufficient fire-fighting equipment to cover all areas of new construction and provide additional fire-fighting equipment in all areas being renovated.
6. Smoking is prohibited throughout all UNMH facilities, including all construction areas. Strict enforcement of this policy will occur.
7. In areas where the Life Safety Code is not met or in construction sites, the construction site(s) will be kept clean and orderly. Materials will not be stored in the corridors. The construction crews will remove all waste and debris to reduce the flammable and combustible fire load to the lowest level necessary for daily operations. Construction offices and break areas will be kept clean by the construction crews.
8. Based on the ILSM Assessment, additional documented fire drills may be needed in areas above, below, adjacent to or within major construction project locations. The ILSM triggered fire drills will be noted as such and included in the Fire Drill Scheduling Tool, the fire drills will be conducted as 1 additional fire drill per shift per quarter, based on the outcomes of the ILSM assessment. The Safety Department will coordinate any additional fire drills that result from the ILSM assessment. Ensure that the Safety Officer and Safety Department are aware of the need for additional fire drills.
9. Hazard surveillance may be performed by the Life Safety, Construction and Planning, and Safety/Security personnel. Hazard surveillance may also be performed by construction personnel after the designated personnel has been trained on what to look for during Hazard surveillance. Attention is to be given to evacuation routes, construction areas, storage, office/lunch areas, and fuel storage. All welding, brazing, and soldering shall take place only in designated areas where the risk of combustion due to sparks has been minimized. Notification must be given to the Safety Department prior to the start of welding, brazing and soldering to be given a Hot Work Permit.
10. In areas where the Life Safety Code is not met or in construction sites, the hospital will

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Official Approver	Administrator, Professional and Support Services	
Official Signature	Michael Chicarelli	1/30/17

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For the encountered Deficiencies, issues, and Conditions, please implement the indicated measures

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Project Location:	Contractor:	Phone Number:	Project Duration:

<p>There are no significant Life Safety Code Deficiencies, or those created as a result of the assessed work. ILSM are NOT required. _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Life Safety Representative printed name</p>	<p>Interim Life Safety Measures ARE required.</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 5%; text-align: center;">1.</td> <td style="width: 20%;">Emergency Forces Notification</td> <td style="width: 5%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">2.</td> <td>Posting Signage of alternate exits</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">3.</td> <td>Implement ILSM Procedure</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">4.</td> <td>Ensuring Egress (Daily basis of areas affected)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">5.</td> <td>Providing temporary but equivalent fire alarm and detection</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">6.</td> <td>Additional Fire Fighting Equipment</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">7.</td> <td>Temporary Construction Barriers</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">8.</td> <td>Increased Hazard Surveillance</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">9.</td> <td>Controlling Combustible Loading</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	1.	Emergency Forces Notification		2.	Posting Signage of alternate exits		3.	Implement ILSM Procedure		4.	Ensuring Egress (Daily basis of areas affected)		5.	Providing temporary but equivalent fire alarm and detection		6.	Additional Fire Fighting Equipment		7.	Temporary Construction Barriers		8.	Increased Hazard Surveillance		9.	Controlling Combustible Loading	
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UNMH ILSM Daily Checklist

Project Name:		Project Owner:		Phone Number:	505.350.8369	Start Date:	12/31/2016
Project Location:		Contractor:		Phone Number:		Project Duration:	

		Check all items that have been checked off:	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday								
			Yes	No	N/A	Yes	No	N/A	Yes	No	N/A	Yes	No	N/A	Yes	No	N/A

1 **Emergency Forces Notification:** Security and Fire Department are notified when Fire Alarm and/or Protection is significantly affected. (Copy of documentation should be attached. This is performed by the Life Safety Department)