

LAC+USC MEDICAL CENTER SAFETY POLICY

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PURPOSE

To ensure that employees are provided with proper protective equipment needed to carry out their duties while in potentially hazardous conditions.

POLICY

The LAC+USC Medical Center shall provide proper personal protective equipment to employees.

PROCEDURE

Area managers/supervisors shall provide employees with personal protective equipment or safety devices as necessary.

Supervisors must ensure that employees are trained in the proper use of the safety devices.

Supervisors shall document the training provided to employees.

Supervisors must ensure that the safety devices shall be of the proper type, design, strength, and quality in accordance with safety requirements.

All protective apparel shall be reasonably comfortable and shall not unduly encumber the employee's movement necessary to perform his/her work.

Supervisors shall ensure that employees maintain their safety equipment in a safe and sanitary condition.

All safety devices shall be located in areas where employees have easy access at all times.

Employees shall wear personal protective equipment whenever there is the potential for exposure to infectious materials or when the task at hand presents the possibility of injury or illness on the job. If an employee does not use personal protective equipment as directed, disciplinary action may be taken.

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