



Department of Facilities POLICY AND PROCEDURE

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SUBJECT: SURGICAL VACUUM FAILURE

POLICY:

The High Desert Health system will identify and implement processes for emergency procedures in the event of a system failure, as per State Regulatory Standards.

PURPOSE:

To ensure constant operation of the Medical/Surgical Vacuum system.

PROCEDURE:

In the event of a failure of this system:

1. The ASC supervisor and the Facilities front office are to be immediately notified.
2. An electrician and plumber are to be dispatched to diagnose and correct the problem, repairs are to made immediately.
3. Portable suction machines shall be delivered to effected areas, as needed.
4. Create a work order.

Upon the system being restored to normal operation, notify the ASC and Facilities front office.

Facility staff will assist in whatever way necessary to expedite the process.

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