

Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center DEPARTMENT OF NURSING OPERATING ROOM POLICY AND PROCEDURE

SUBJECT: LIM REMOTE INDICATOR SYSTEM IN THE OR

(Line Indicator Monitor - Circuit Breaker)

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Purpose of LIM remote indicator: To provide optimal electrical safety for the patient and staff in the Operating Room. The LIM remote indicator system is in place in each O.R.

Policy Statement: The Operating Room will not be used until Building Crafts/Medical Equipment Repair Departments have verified that the room is electrically safe.

Performed by: All members of the surgical team.

Procedural Steps:

1. The LIM remote indicator has a green signal lamp that remains lighted when the electrical system is adequately isolated from ground.

KEY POINT: The lamp should be checked for operation daily. Unlighted lamps will be reported to Nurse Manager/Charge Nurse.

- When the continuity of the electrical system is not adequate, a red signal lamp and audible alarm will sound.
- 3. Electrical equipment will be unplugged, starting with the last item plugged in, until the alarm ceases and the green signal lamp is lighted.

KEY POINT: That piece of equipment should not be used until it has been repaired or replaced.

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References:

Guidelines for Perioperative Practice 2015 Edition Essentials of Perioperative Nursing, Fifth Edition

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