# VALLEYCARE OLIVE VIEW-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER/HEALTH CENTERS DEPARTMENT: FACILITIES POLICY & PROCEDURE

## NUMBER: 727 VERSION: 1

## SUBJECT/TITLE: ASBESTOS

**POLICY:** Facilities Division will comply with all SCAQMD, EPA, OSHA, City, County, State, and Federal rules and regulations governing asbestos.

The Safety Officer shall serve as the Asbestos Program Manager.

All friable materials suspected of containing asbestos will be immediately enscapulated and tested for asbestos fibers before any work resumes in the area. If the presence of asbestos is confirmed, the area shall be abated.

All Facilities employees who are required to work in areas where levels of asbestos are expected to be greater than the permissible exposure (PEL) will take part in the "Asbestos Program," which involves:

- 1. Taking part in the Respiratory Protection program;
- 2. Receiving annual asbestos physicals;
- 3. Completing the 16 hour training in the procedures and practices for operations and maintenance of asbestos;
- 4. Observing the Facilities Division policy "Handling And/Or Disposal of Hazardous Materials;" and
- 5. Complying with Olive View UCLA Medical Center Environmental Health and Safety Office Requirements.

## **PURPOSE:** To state Facilities Division's policy and procedures for handling asbestos.

#### **PROCEDURE:**

**DEPARTMENTS:** FACILITIES

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

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