Silver State Surgery Center West LLC

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APPLICABLE STANDARDS: AAAHC-7.II.A

Policy # 7.27

SAFETY PROGRAM

POLICY:

The surgery center maintains a safety program to address the centers environment of care, safety of patients, staff, and others. The safety program is directly linked to the Quality Assurance Performance Improvement Program. The Governing Body has approved the Safety Program.

PROCEDURES:

A. The safety program processes for risk management of identified hazards, potential threats, near misses, and other safety concerns like

   1. Adverse Incidents
   2. Incidents/Injuries
   3. Reducing and avoiding Medication Errors
   4. Recalls
   5. Fall Prevention, and other physical injuries, and to ensure the accurate and timely reporting of such events.
   6. Fire Safety/Prevention/Drills (see chapter 8 policies for specifics)

B. Referenced items have their own individualized policies in the policy and procedure manual.

C. The safety program is supervised by the Quality Assurance Performance Improvement Committee. The DON is designated as the Safety Officer.

D. The Safety Officer and Administrator will provide education. Staff in-servicing and/or drills are conducted at the center. In-services/drills provide education and training on safety issues to all staff, such as:
   1. Disaster and Emergency Drills and/or Fire Prevention/Safety
   2. Universal Precautions
   3. Sharps Prevention

The center also provides code drills such as:
   1. Malignant Hyperthermia
   2. CPR

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E. At time of employment personnel is oriented, provided training and competency (s).

F. Unique patient identifiers are consistently used throughout care.

G. Center has policies for anesthesia support, and post-procedural care.

H. Center has a written emergency and disaster preparedness plan and documentation of requesting to participate on a community level.

I. Environmental hazards associated with safety are identified and safe practices are established.

J. Measures are implemented to prevent skin and tissue from injury from chemicals, cleaning solutions, and other hazardous exposure.

K. Patients are educated about prescribed medical devices and associated protocols and guidelines.

L. Methods for ensuring food and drink for patient use is stored, prepared, served, and disposed of in compliance with local, state, and federal guidelines.

M. A process to assess and reduce risks associated with physical hazards.

N. Products including medications and solutions that carry an expiration date are monitored. The center has policies for disposal of expired medications and supplies in accordance with local, state, and federal guidelines.

O. The center will designate the DON or surgeon if applicable to provide appropriate education to intended operators of newly acquired devices or products to be used in the care of patients. At SILVER STATE SURGERY CENTER WEST, the Director of Nursing is designated the Safety Program Officer.

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