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MANUAL	Emergency Management	APPROV. AUTH:	Administrator
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## **CODE BROWN – CHEMICAL SPILL/LEAK – Policy # XVIII-L-10.00**

### **RN IN CHARGE OR DESIGNATE WILL:**

- 1) Assume the role of Incident Commander
- 2) Assess.
- 3) Begin Code Procedure (below).
- 4) Call for assistance.

### **PROCEDURE:**

#### **MINOR SPILL OF KNOWN SUBSTANCE**

- 1) Protect yourself; avoid contact with skin, eyes, and inhalation.
- 2) Cordon off area.
- 3) Ward Clerk will announce Code Brown and location (include floor and room # if applicable)
- 4) Use spill kit to absorb and contain. (spill kit in first aid room)
- 5) Dispose of contaminated material according to supplier instructions.
- 6) Complete Emergency Prep-Actual Event-Test-Drill Evaluation Form.
- 7) Administrator or designate notified.

#### **MAJOR SPILL**

- 1) Protect yourself; avoid contact with skin, eyes, and inhalation.
- 2) Evacuate and cordon off area.
- 3) If risk of explosion / chemical reaction Ward Clerk will announce Code Brown and location. (include floor and room # if applicable)
- 4) Ward Clerk will call 911.
- 5) Contact Product Supplier
- 6) Complete Emergency Prep-Actual Event-Test-Drill Evaluation Form.
- 7) Keep Administrator or designate notified.

#### **CARBON MONOXIDE OR GAS LEAK**

- 1) In the case of a natural gas leak (natural gas smells like rotten eggs) or if Carbon Monoxide detector is activated, Ward Clerk will announce Code Green (Evacuation).
- 2) Ward Clerk to call 911.
- 3) Immediately evacuate the area.
- 4) Don't smoke, operate light switches, or use phones.
- 5) Shut off gas, if applicable.
- 6) Once all residents are moved to a safe area, decide whether to shelter in place or evacuate residents to another location.

- 7) Complete Emergency Prep-Actual Event-Test-Drill Evaluation Form.
- 8) Keep Administrator or designate notified.