





What's New January 2022

The following chart shows which PolicySource Hospital and Critical Access Hospital policies, procedures, protocols, and plans (P&Ps) are either new or significantly updated for January 2022. New P&Ps are preceded by "NEW!"; P&Ps with significant updates are preceded by "UPDATED!" and have redline marks within the files to indicate removed or added text. The paper clip indicates a new or updated sample attachment to assist with implementation of a P&P.

GET STARTED
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UPDATED! Get Started: Added content to clarify documentation requirements and how these requirements are addressed in <i>PolicySource</i> • UPDATED! Policies, Procedures, Protocols, or Plans for Hospital and Critical Access Hospital: Updated to include all elements of performance (EPs) that correlate to a requirement for a written P&P and/or appear on the document list of the Joint Commission's <i>Survey Activity Guide</i> • Made minor editorial revisions
ENVIRONMENT OF CARE (EC)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NEW! Emergency Lighting System, Exit Sign, and Emergency Generator Testing Procedures: Added sample procedures to support EC.02.05.07, EPs 1–10, which require hospitals to test and inspect emergency lighting systems, exit signs, and emergency generators • UPDATED! Environment of Care Management Plan Annual Evaluation Process: Incorporated workplace violence prevention program requirements • UPDATED! Environmental Safety Management Process: Incorporated workplace violence prevention program requirements •  NEW! Fire Drill Evaluation Form: Added sample form to support the implementation of Fire Drill Procedures •  NEW! Fire Drill Scheduling Form: Added sample form to support the implementation of Fire Drill Procedures • NEW! Piped Medical Gas and Vacuum System Management Policy: Added sample policy to support EC.02.05.09, EPs 7 and 10, which require hospitals to inspect, test, and maintain their piped medical gas and vacuum systems, waste anesthetic gas disposal, and support gas systems • NEW! Workplace Violence Prevention Plan: Added sample plan to support EC.02.01.01, EP 17, which requires hospitals to conduct annual worksite analysis related to its workplace violence program and to take action to mitigate risks based on findings • Made minor editorial revisions
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (EM)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •  NEW! Application and Approval Form to Serve as an Emergency Volunteer: Added sample application and form to support the implementation of Licensed Emergency Volunteers Policy • Made minor editorial revisions
HUMAN RESOURCES (HR)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No changes
INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL (IC)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Made minor editorial revisions
INFORMATION MANAGEMENT (IM)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No changes
LEADERSHIP (LD)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No changes
LIFE SAFETY (LS)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No changes
MEDICATION MANAGEMENT (MM)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NEW! Medication Administration Procedures: Added sample procedures to support MM.06.01.01, EP 1, which requires hospitals to define the individuals who are authorized to administer medication Made minor editorial revisions
MEDICAL STAFF (MS)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Made minor editorial revisions
NATIONAL PATIENT SAFETY GOALS (NPSG)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Made minor editorial revisions
NURSING (NR)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No changes
PROVISION OF CARE, TREATMENT, AND SERVICES (PC)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NEW! Abuse and Neglect Assessment Procedures: Added sample procedures to support PC.01.02.09, EP 1, which require hospitals to identify patients who may be victims of physical assault, sexual assault, sexual molestation, domestic abuse, or elder or child abuse and neglect  NEW! Fall Risk Assessment Form: Added sample form to support the implementation of Initial Assessment Procedures NEW! Post-Resuscitation Care Procedures: Added sample policy to support PC.02.01.20, EPs 1–3, which requires hospitals to implement processes for post-resuscitation care, which includes developing and implementing hospital policies and/or procedures Made minor editorial revisions
PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT (PI)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UPDATED! Performance Improvement Plan: Updated sample policy to address January 1, 2022, standards changes
RECORD OF CARE, TREATMENT, AND SERVICES (RC)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No changes
RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE INDIVIDUAL (RI)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Made minor editorial revisions
TRANSPLANT SAFETY (TS)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No changes
WAIVED TESTING (WT)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No changes
RESOURCES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UPDATED! RWD Chapters for <i>CAMH</i> and <i>CAMCAH</i>: Updated to reflect January 1, 2022, changes to <i>CAMH</i> and <i>CAMCAH</i> Made minor editorial revisions