# Healthcare Best Practices

Restoration & Reconstruction









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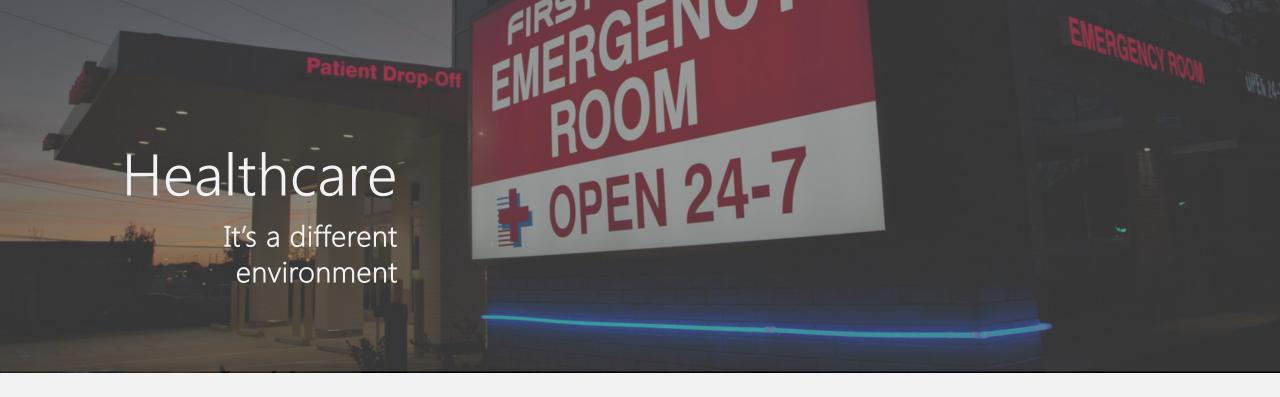
Overview of the healthcare environment



Risk assessment and documentation



Work procedures





Hospitals cannot shut down for construction. They have to operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week.



Patient and visitor safety is a high priority. They may be close to your activities.



Nurses, doctors and other hospital staff members may be working around you.



The key focus is to minimize crosscontamination from construction activities.





Rules and Regulations – OSHA, EPA, CDC, AIA, ASHE, NFPA, ASHRAE, ASME, USGBC, State and Local authorities.



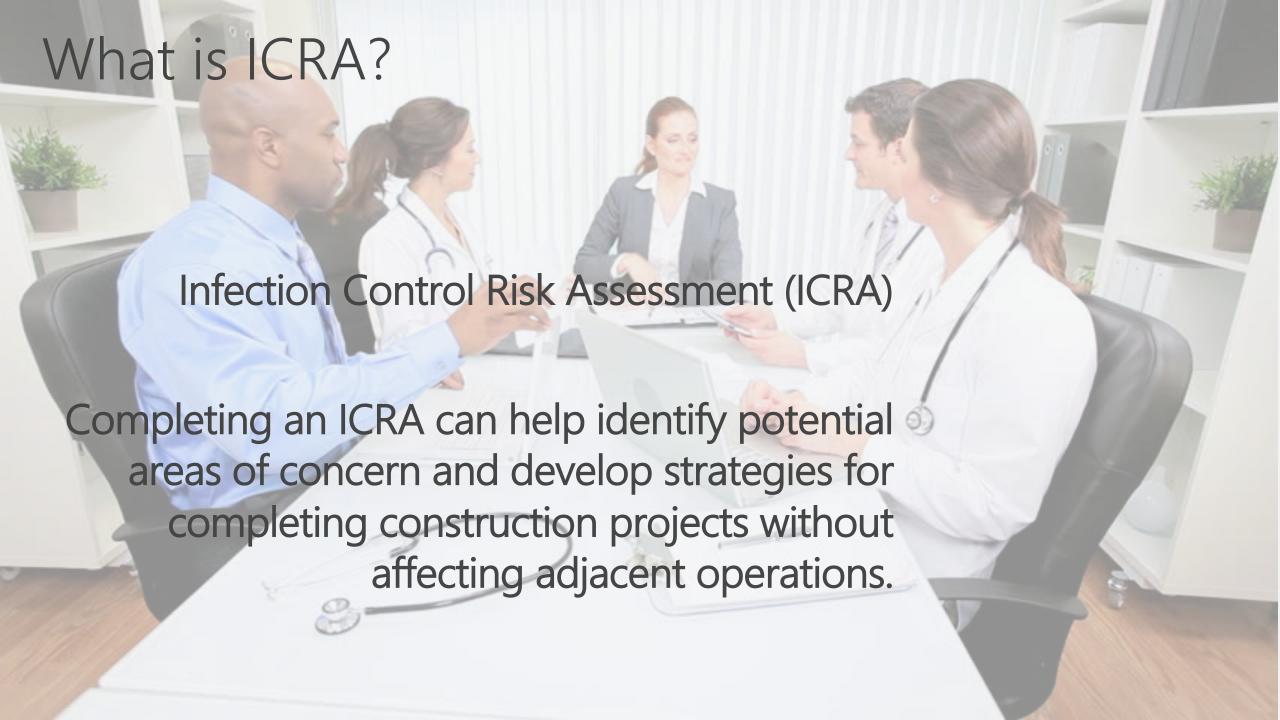
Lots of Project Team Members – Ownership, Administration, Operations, Support Services, ICP, Department Managers, EVS, EHS, other personnel that will be impacted by the project.



The Joint Commission, formerly The Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, formerly JCAHO, formerly...



Consultants & Vendors – Design professionals like architects, engineers and interior design. Contractors that do remediation, hazmat, reconstruction and all sub trades.





An Infection Control Risk Assessment (ICRA) is an essential step in limiting the acquisition and transmission of infections in a healthcare environment.

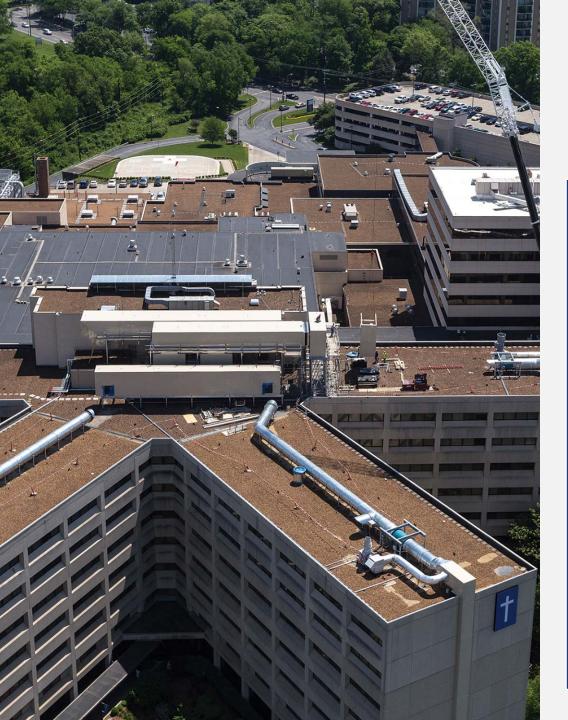
Controlling infections requires a comprehensive approach that combines infection prevention, engineering and nursing.

An ICRA identifies the greatest risks and determines how these three disciplines can collaborate to control infections in a specific healthcare setting.



Before construction, renovation or demolition activities begin, there are six risk elements that should be assessed as part of the Pre-Construction Risk Assessment (PCRA or PRA).

- Utilities
- Infection Control
- Fire and Life Safety
- Air Quality
- Noise & Vibrations
- Other Hazards



## **Utilities Systems**

- Will the HVAC system be affected by construction (outside air intakes, exhaust systems, air handlers)?
- Are utility shut downs required?
  - HVAC
  - Sanitary System
  - Steam
  - Hot/Cold Domestic Water
- Medical Gas
- Electric
- Other

 All utility shut downs must be coordinated with facility.



#### Infection Control

- What engineering controls, or containment, is being used to minimize dust or other contaminates?
- Will debris removal require precautions above and beyond those required for the assigned ICRA precaution level?
- Establish approved debris transfer routes to be used by crews to minimize disruption.



## Fire and Life Safety

- Will engineering controls, or containment, be constructed in hallways?
- Will engineering controls affect any of the following?
  - Fire doors
  - Emergency exits

- Stairwells
- Fire detection and suppression systems
- Does the construction area contain any environmental hazards?
  - Asbestos
  - Chemicals (specify in your action plan)
  - Other (specify in your action plan)



## Air Quality

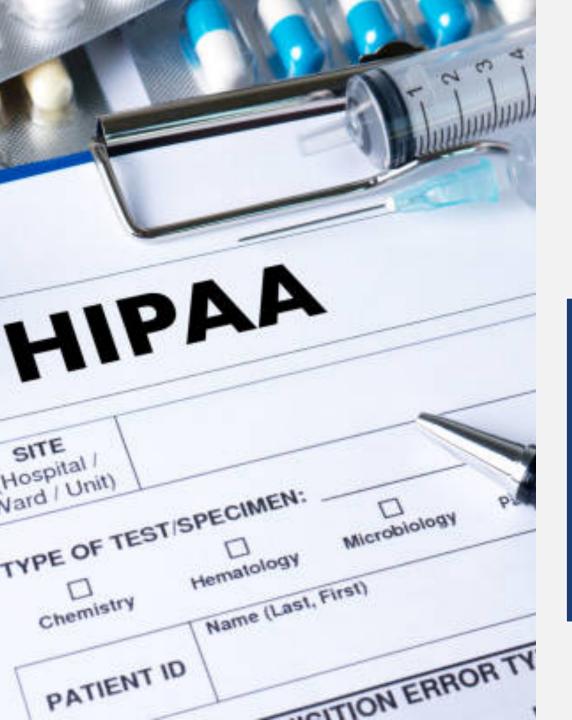
• What engineering controls will be in place to control the air quality in the adjacent patient and work areas?

 How will the air quality be monitored to ensure controls stay in place for the duration of the project?



### Noise, Vibrations and Electrical

- Will construction activities generate noise that will disrupt occupants?
  - If so, affected occupants must be notified.
  - How will work be managed to minimize disruption?
- Will construction activities generate vibrations that will disrupt occupants?
  - If so, affected occupants must be notified.
  - How will work be managed to minimize disruption?
- Will de-energizing electrical hazards affect other occupied areas?



## Privacy and Security

 What are the HIPPA concerns within the area you are working?

 What security procedures need to be followed while on property? Consult with Infection Control Managers

Consult with
Interim Life
Safety contact
& Director of
Engineering

KNOW THE FACILITY POINT OF CONTACT PRIOR TO PROJECT COMMENCEMENT!

Consult with area managers & nursing staff supervisors

Are internal permits required?

# BEFORE CONSTRUCTION

Healthcare Preconstruction Techniques and Planning



#### ONSITE CHECKLIST – ??? MEDICAL CENTER

Project: CG5595	Date:	Time: AM	AMPM	PM
Building:		Location:		

ITEM	Compliance? Y/N/NA		/N/NA	COMMENTS	
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1. CONSTRUCTION BARRIERS					
Barrier integrity maintained - no penetrations.					
Doors closed and seal properly.					
Adjacent ceiling areas intact.					
2. NEGATIVE AIR					
Containment areas remains negatively pressurized (at least -0.02 inches of water), relative to adjacent patient care areas.					
Supply and return ducts sealed as appropriate					
Negative air machine(s) operating properly.					
Negative air machine(s) filters clean.					
Negative air discharge hose(s) Intact.					
3. DEBRIS REMOVAL					
Personnel use pre-designated egress routes for debris removal.					
Elevator is free of visible dust accumulation.					
Carts for transferring tools and equipment outside containment areas are kept clean, including wheels, prior to egress from the work site.					
Carts transporting debris are covered appropriately.					
4. FLOOR MATS					
Floor mats are clean and HEPA vacuumed as appropriate.					
Sticky mats changed as needed.					
5. CLEANLINESS OF AREA					
Appropriate cleaning procedures. Use of mopping and HEPA vacuums as appropriate.					
Construction area is reasonably clean, with little dust or debris accumulation.					
Adjacent occupied areas, NO dust or debris accumulation.					

# Documentation of Infection Controls

Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC): "The Role of Infection Control During Construction in Healthcare Facilities"

Defines strategic planning and the role of infection control.

# Health Poley: INFECTION CONTROL RISK ASSESSMENT (ICRA) FOR CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION AND MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES

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# Documentation of Infection Controls

Lays groundwork for construction and renovation polices within healthcare facilities (from design and planning phases through completion)

ICRA Risk Assessments & Construction Permits

Defines Construction Activity (CA) types (A through D) and Patient Risk (PR) groups (Low through Highest)

Match CA types with PR group within the <u>IC Matrix</u> to determine the Class of Precautions or Infection Control Procedures (*I through IV*) required for construction work

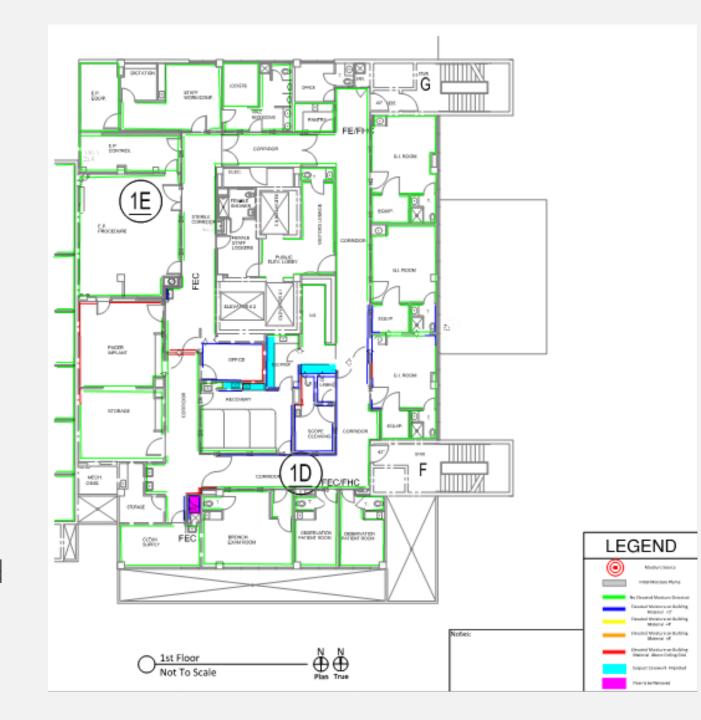
# Reducing the Risk

Documentation

Every water damage needs a moisture map.

If an IH is not present to make one, it's incumbent on BMS to document the conditions via a moisture map.

This document must be created prior to the scope of work.





303 Arthur Street, Fort Worth

TO: Debra Jodry Centennial V

DATE: May 6, 2010

BMS CAT opened the file for Centers significant rain event on May 1-2, 201

BMS CAT mobilized a grew to the site BMS CAT has isolated the first floor f high traffic areas. Centennial Women points to the first floor to prevent una

The following scope of work has bee healthcare facilities, blackwater resto throughout the floor.

Initial inspections found the following property on the ground floor were are floodwater introduced into the building

BMS CAT has been asked to prepare : building materials on the first floor.

This initial scope of work was general GHP damage assessment and scope

#### Initial Work to Stabilize Building

- Install desiccant dehumidific
- Remove all standing water as
- Install negative pressure HEI

#### Elevators-

- Remove remaini
- Remove damage
- Have vendor rep

#### Ceiling Tiles -

- Ceiling tiles appe integrity.
- Any ceiling tiles

- An asbestos survi
- All carpet and V
- Porcelain Tile sh
- Remove all heat-Remove flooring
- Wallboard Controlled
- A negative-press
- removed Visryl wall cover required.
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- Insulation will be
- All 6-mil poly ba "goosed neck" as will be double ba
- Moisture-damage HEPA vaguum a from wooden str collection device
- Structural memb
- Debris from floo
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- Materials in 6-mi bags will be wipe
- Additional inspec moisture damage
- Detail cleaning v

- BMS CAT will provide a dedicated "hot-shot" grew to address issues of high importance that require immediate attention.
- BMS CAT will schedule all work with the facility.
- The hospital will provide dumpater service. If dumpater cannot be provided, BMS CAT will coordinate waste container setup and removal.
- A designated representative(s) of the interested parties must be identified to facilitate day-to-day communications, project updates and other matters that require ongoing discussion. These representatives should be endowed with decision-making authority in order to address safety and other matters as they may arise during the project. It is highly recommended that daily meetings be held in a matually agreeable location, at a mutually agreeable time in order to discuss the current status of the project.
- A suitable location must be designated by the customer as a temporary storage and distribution area for equipment and supplies.

#### Pricing and Invoicing

All BMS CAT related costs will be tracked and billed on a Time and Materials Basis. Centennial Women's Hospital will receive a copy of all documentation for review and verification outposes. All applicable local, state, and federal taxes will be applied if required by State law.

At this time BMS CAT will perform the above scope of work in accordance with the preapproved HCA pricing for a NOT TO EXCEED of \$1,250,000.00 USD not including taxes if required. Mobilization costs (travel, lodging, and per diem) are included. At this time, the above mentioned scope of work is projected to be completed in a timely fashion tentatively scheduled to be completed Monday, May 17, 2010.

Documents sent for freeze drying will be billed in accordance with the BMS CAT and HCA rate

BMS CAT agrees to provide daily time sheets, completion date estimates, and cost projections.

TERMS: Net 10 days from invoice.

On behalf of BMS CAT we wish to thank you for allowing us this opportunity to participate in the recovery of Centennial Women's Hospital. In the light of such as disaster, it is our sincere desire to provide the finestreatoration and recovery services to allow you to resume property use as quickly as

Respectfully Submitted,

Christian P. Gage MS, MBA, PG Vice President - Healthcare Services BMS CAT. Inc.

Leif H. Schonteich MS, MBA Project Manager - Healthcare Services BMS CAT. Inc.

Il sheetrock up to four or eight feet on the wall surfaces as e of work

fected wall, pipe, and duct insulation

ents directly damaged by the blackwater will be cleaned in accordance with the This includes AHUs and minor sections of submerged ductwork.

ng: Wiping may be performed in cases where dry deaning methods such as HEPA mechanical brushing, cannot successfully remove contaminants of concern. Damp e performed with disposable towels or rags properly wetted with an approved ent. If disinfection is required, a Foster Products 40-30 HVAC and Wall equivalent quaternary ammonium compound cleaning solution may be used.

components to be deaned will be removed, placed in a 6-mil polyethylene bag, side of the occupant space. If removal of the components is not possible, use of a cloth in the work area will be used.

of Centennial personnel, BMS CAT will retrieve documents damaged by the drying. Wet documents from the first floor to be recovered will be frozen onsite the BMS CAT document restoration facility located in Fort Worth, TX. . The be shipped on refrigerated trucks to further preserve documents before restoration ng methods.

retrieved exhibited varying degrees of water damage. The level of cleaning and saied due to the varying degrees of damage to the documents. Discoloration may still stared documents. Reproductions of the discolored documents may be necessary.

retrieve documents not damaged by the flood and store in a designated location.

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#### SPECIAL AREAS

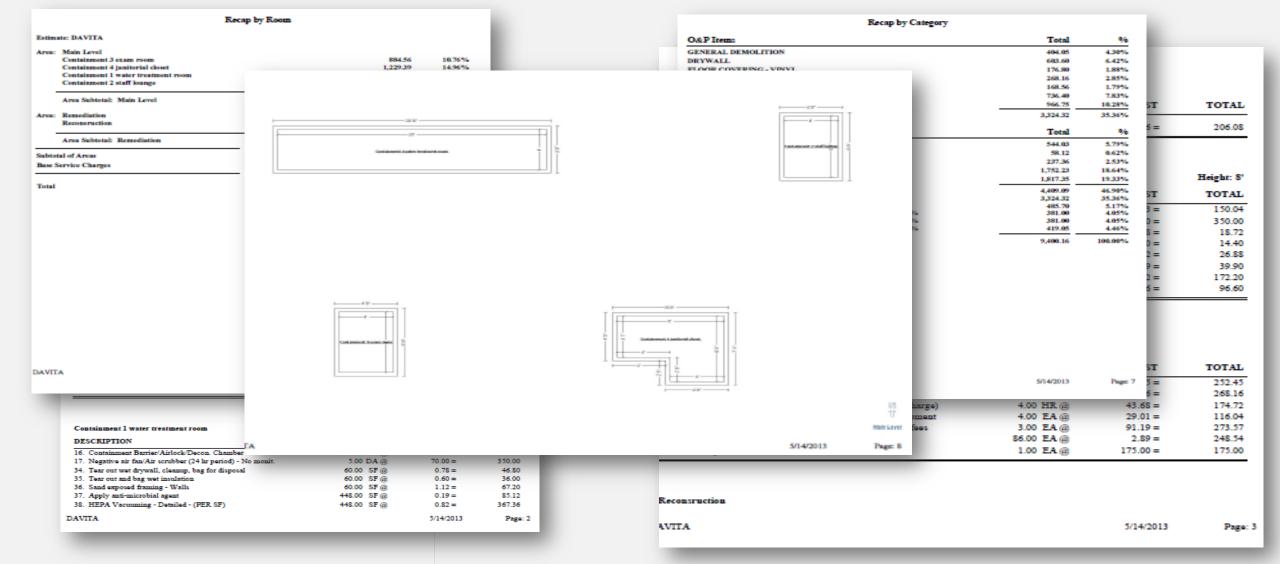
AT will apply all facility infection control policies and procedures to work

S CAT personnel will be uniformed along with a photo identification badge and equipped with 2-way radios for identification and communication purposes. spe of work is ses-inclusive of internal equipment deaning and/or any associated mbty equipment. AT will require an area to set up and store equipment, material, and supplies.

AT will provide portable restroom facilities for BMS CAT personnel.

- BMS will require use of the facility utilities such as water and electricity.
- BMS personnel will limit our on site presence to approved designated work and break

# Remediation Scope



# Reconstruction Scope



# **Engineering Controls**

Contain

Are area containment barriers needed?

Anteroom

Is a "point-of-entry" environmental containment device necessary? (i.e. Anteroom)

HEPA

Are HEPA air filtration devices (AFUs) or vacuums needed?

Negative Pressure Do we need to ensure continuous negative pressure? In the construction zone? In the maintenance zone?

Testing

Is there a need for testing?

Airborne fungi? Respirable dust?

Supervision

Is there a need for more detailed supervision (monitoring) of the contractor and/or vendor?

Final

Is there final clearance criteria or is testing required?

Maintenance

If containment barriers and/or point-of-entry devices are necessary, they must be maintained and regularly inspected.



# Goal of Barriers

To prevent the spread of construction dust into the hospital, by creating an airtight seal within the work area.

## Types of barriers:

- Mobile containment cubes
- Temporary or soft-wall systems
- Hard-wall systems

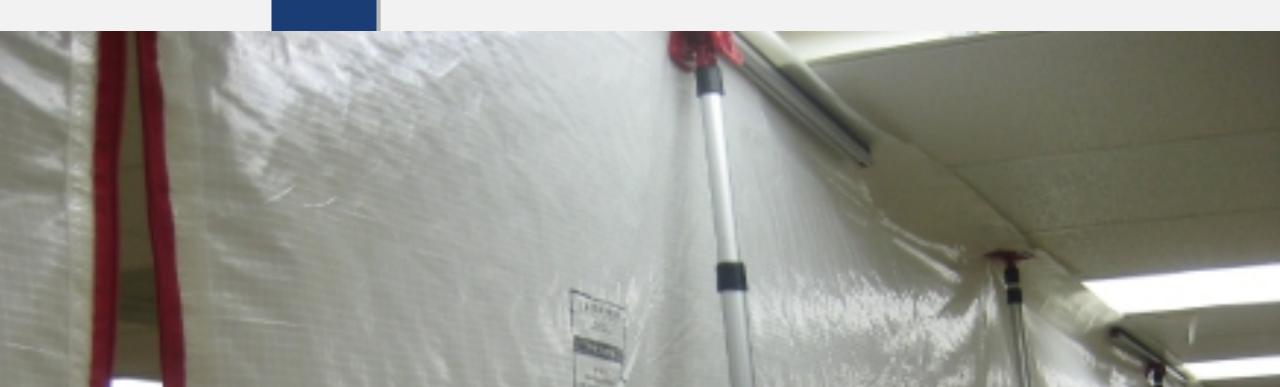


# Selecting a Barrier

Considerations of selecting a barrier:

- Duration of work task
- Amount of dust generated
- Local fire codes

Maintaining fire prevention measures, such as firewalls, is an important consideration when selecting a barrier.



# Creating an Entry to Access the Work Area

Two common types of entries that can be used are:

- Self-adhesive zippers
- Flap door or a T-door

The most common doorway used in healthcare restoration projects with a soft wall barrier is the zipper door. The selfadhesive door creates a tighter air seal than a flap door.



# Long-Term Barriers

Several factors drive the need for hard barriers

- Duration of project
- External risks to barrier integrity
- Privacy concerns
- Area in the facility
  - High-risk patients
  - Food service
  - Laboratories
  - Hallways

EDGE Guard is a brand name of portable panel system



# Anterooms: Separating patient areas

- When feasible, anterooms are constructed for major projects.
- Anterooms must be of adequate size to allow workers to don and doff protective clothing, damp wipe shoes, house PPE and a HEPA-filtered vacuum cleaner.
- One door of anteroom should remain closed at all times.



### Personal Protective Equipment

- Will vary depending on project requirements.
- Should always wear coveralls to keep clothing clean.
- Remove PPE in anterooms when available.

### Patient Protective Apparel

- May be required in high-risk patient areas.
- Worn to protect the patient.
- May include shoe covers, gloves, surgical scrubs and masks.



# Controlling the Air Pressure to Prevent Dust

Need to create negative air pressure within the work area to keep dust from escaping.

To achieve negative pressure, more air must leave the work area than enters.

If air is continually pulled into the work area, dust and airborne pathogens cannot get out.



# HEPA-Filtered Air Machines

Performance requirements for HEPA-filtered negative air machines:

- Pressure differential of no less than 0.02 inches of water negative, relative to patient care areas.
- Unit must run continuously and be ganged to a single switch for emergency shutoff.
- Filters should be checked at regular intervals throughout the day, and replaced as often as needed.
- Efficacy should be checked with particle counter.







The facility owner will evaluate effectiveness of completed barriers, and other methods of control prior to project start up.



The monitor can be tied into a phone line, to allow the notification of the appropriate parties of the pressure loss.

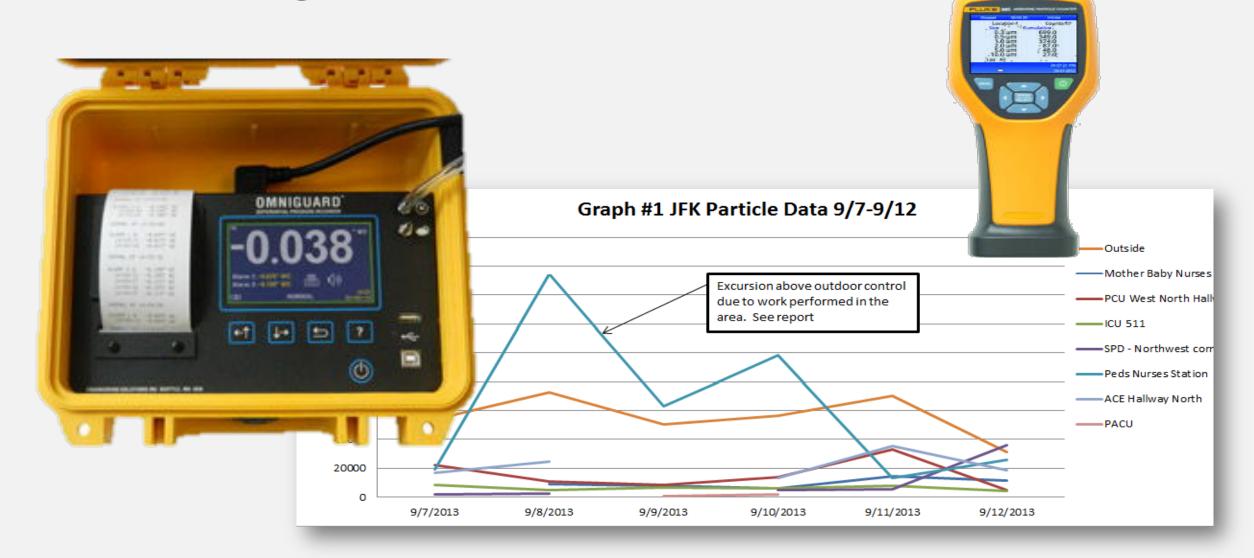


Thereafter, continuous pressure differential monitoring will be performed for the duration of the project.



Stop project if the containment becomes positively pressurized, relative to patient care areas.

# Continuous Environmental Monitoring



# Good Housing Minimizing the Spread of Dust

- Utilize sticky mats/tacky mats
- Cover all trash carts when they enter and leave the work area
- Covering or wrapping all equipment and construction materials

- Use HEPA vacuums
- Wet wipe all surfaces using hospital approved EPA-registered disinfectant
- Damp mopping surfaces inside and outside of containment (as needed)

- Mist work areas and edges of ceiling tiles before lifting
- Use a containment barrier
- Use HEPA-vacuum attachments when drilling or cutting

- Use hand tools instead of power tools
- HEPA vacuum instead of sweeping
- Perform cutting in a staging area outside of ICRA environment

# Good Housing Minimizing the Spread of Dust

# Trash/Debris Removal Transporting Debris

The cart must have a solid lid or be tightly covered with taped down plastic.

The ICRA plan typically requires the wiping down of the trash cart at each end of the trip:

- Before it leaves the work area.
- Before it comes back into the hospital from the loading dock.

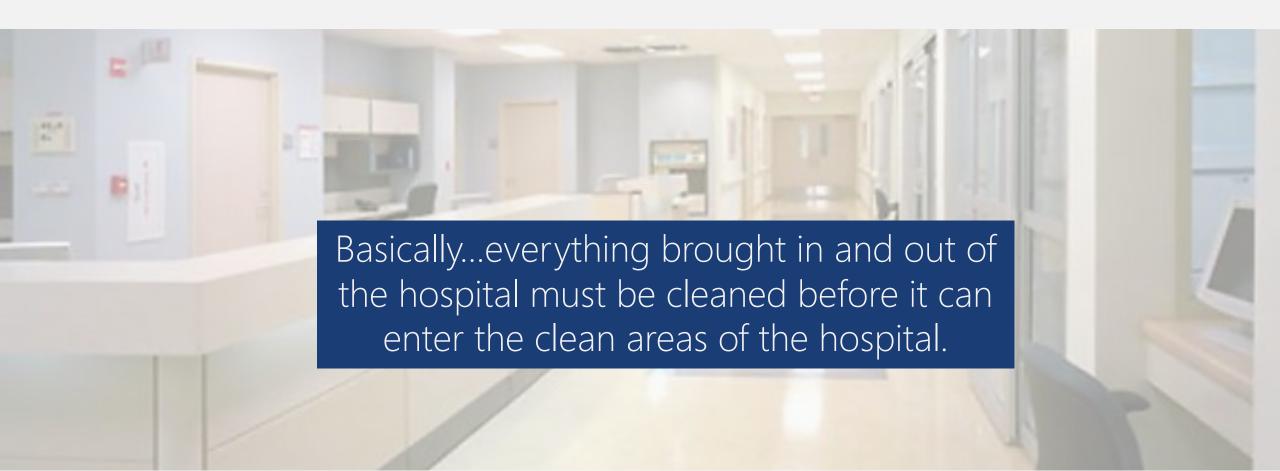
Cleaning should be performed using hospital approved EPA-registered disinfectant.

Prior to starting any project, the debris path should always be established.



# Movement of Equipment and Tools

Workers have to remember that all tools & equipment brought onto the job must be wiped down and cleaned before entering the hospital.



# Clearance Testing

Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

General recommendations for microbiological air sampling:

# Water Losses

After the cleanup of a typical water loss, air samples will be taken using spore traps.
The test will be looking for non-viable spores.

# Category 3

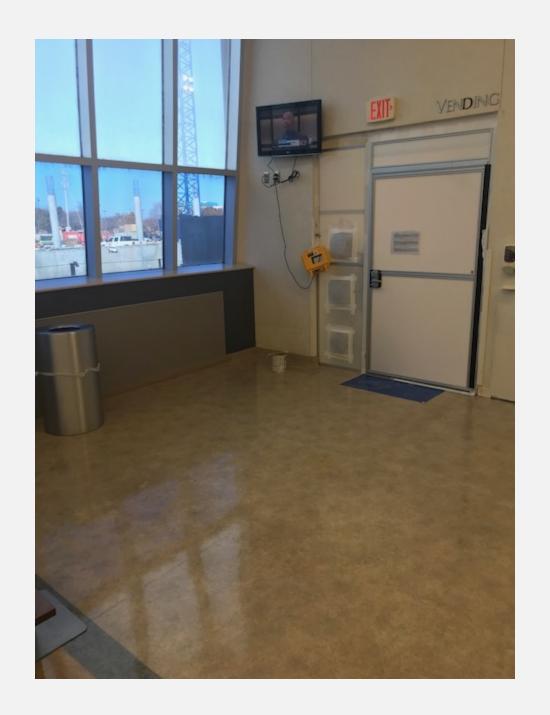
After a category 3 event, sampling will typically include swab samples – specifically looking for fecal coliform and E.coli.

# Completion Phase

- Prior to the removal of engineering controls, the work site must be cleaned of equipment and debris. The area is thoroughly HEPA-vacuumed and mopped by the construction team.
- Start by removing containment from the furthest point and work towards the entrance.
- Following barrier removal, all surfaces should be cleaned and disinfected, including floors, windows, sinks, fixtures, counters, walls and ceilings.
- Water supply lines should be thoroughly flushed.
- Terminal clean to be performed by facility.









# THANK YOU

