

**Yale New Haven Hospital**  
**Department of Laboratory Medicine**  
**SAFETY COMMITTEE – MINUTES**

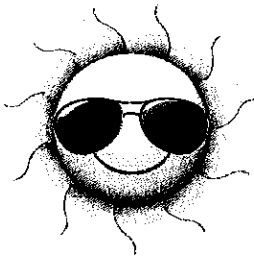
**July 13, 2017; PS 230, 2-3 pm**

**PRESENT:** Rita Napierkowski, Alicia Cimino, Linda Grunwald, Deb Phillips, Heather Hedberg, Skip Shumway, Carrie Holmes, Brianna Viglione, Nadene El-eid, Kathy Bruenn, Gayle Barricelli

**1. Proforma**

**Safety Rounds: Mock surveys for environment of care continues - every two weeks.**

**YNHH Administrative Safety Committee:** For this meeting identify potential areas for slips and falls, and suggest solutions. Rounds at SRC showed no issues.



“Protect yourself from the sun!”

**2. Old Business :**

- A. HCW management Pick-ups - Scheduled every 4 weeks. Aug<sup>14<sup>th</sup></sup>, Sept<sup>11<sup>th</sup></sup>, Oct<sup>9<sup>th</sup></sup>, Nov<sup>13<sup>th</sup></sup>, Dec<sup>11<sup>th</sup></sup>. Stericycle meeting occurred with Brian Frank and 2 other people to discuss issues with pick-ups. Stericycle will make some changes to make the process smoother.
- B. Sentact- Make sure all Sentact entries are completed before 12 pm on Thursday when requested. Any results entered from Monday until Thursday at noon will be included. The Yes means we are in compliance, and the No means we are not. i.e. If the question reads “Nothing is on the floor”, answer yes because it means nothing is on the floor. A No response means that there is something on the floor. **If no resolution to concerns ARC it up to management.**
- C. Inspections-CAP: 40 of 48 citations removed, POCT still pending. Labeling of secondary containers must be correct. Save documentation on flash drives in case internet goes down.
- D. Fire drills- Schedule for 2017 – Drills for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter is complete. Some issues: alarm heard on 4<sup>th</sup> floor. HVAC system restore took some time.
- E. Hazardous Waste Training and DOT is in available on the shared drive.
- F. AED’s will be purchased by the department. They will be placed on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> floors
- G. Safety Committee training of Member’s – Draft handed to current members, see attached

**3. New Business**

Hazardous determination forms need updating

**4. Members’ Concerns-**

- Lab coats – CAP says impermeable to liquid. Recommend wearing a plastic apron for certain tasks (i.e. pouring off)
- Appropriate buckets for hazardous waste on countertops – may need more than one (i.e. bleach for biosafety, sharps container for glass)
- Code blue in Chemistry – no announcement heard in Park street, Doctors were disoriented as to location

**Next Meeting:** No August meeting. September 14, 2017 at 2 pm PS 230

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