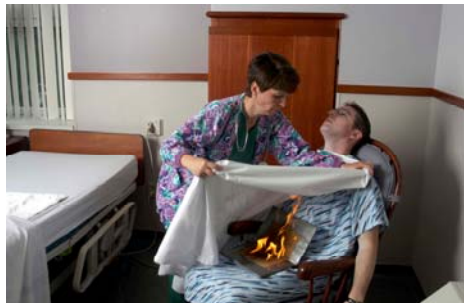


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Fire and Emergency Management for Healthcare Facilities

FIRE SAFETY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM – Long Term Care



Having fire procedures and training staff in the use of those procedures is required in healthcare. Since this is a requirement, all facilities provide some level of training to physicians, nurses, administrative and support staff.

The PROBLEM: Facility layout, resident acuity level and staffing levels have changed over the years, but the fire procedures and training have not evolved at the same rate.

- Two (2) healthcare fires in 2003 that took the lives of 31 residents.
- An average of 2,900 long term care fires annually (NFPA – including SNF, AL, IL).
- Comments by CMS after the July 2004 GAO report on healthcare fires stating that there will be a “**Five-Fold Increase in CMS Validation Surveys.**”

Russell Phillips & Associates provides fire, emergency management and Life Safety Code® consulting services to more than 1,300 healthcare facilities in the United States and Canada. We can provide a Fire Safety Partnership Program with your facility that includes the following:

- Fire Protection survey focusing on building fire protection features and horizontal evacuation capabilities.***
- Completion of Updated/Re-designed Facility-wide and Unit-specific fire and evacuation procedures (Fire Response Team, Special Care Unit, Alzheimer’s Units, Dietary, etc.).***
- Report of Recommendations that outline corrective actions and improvement of overall fire programs.***
- Training of leadership and ALL staff under realistic fire and smoke conditions.***
- Fire Drills to test the knowledge of the staff and effectiveness of the fire training exercises.***

As you may be aware, Russell Phillips & Associates participates as a fire/emergency management advisor to the Joint Commission on the Committee for Healthcare Safety and are the Chair for the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Healthcare Education Committee.

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