## HACKETTSTOWN REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER PASTORAL CARE POLICY MANUAL DISASTER RESPONSE

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## **PURPOSE:**

To aid patients, visitors, employees, and the families of those affected by a disaster.

## **POLICY:**

Pastoral Care Services will respond to "Code Triage" disaster announcements in accordance with the procedure outlined in the Safety Manual, Emergency Preparedness Plan.

## **PROCEDURE:**

- 1. All Pastoral Care Services members are to be acquainted with the Safety Manual.
- 2. The Manager for Pastor Care responds to "Code Triage" by reporting to the Board Room.
- 3. Chaplains will be responsible for visitors, relatives and friends of the injured awaiting information about casualties. Chaplains assist family members and call community clergy as necessary.