Policy Statement

In the event of a disaster or emergency situation, Administration will authorize Food and Nutrition Services (FANS) to provide meals to patients, staff and visitors as resources allow.

Purpose of Policy

To maintain adequate supplies to provide food service during periods where disasters, emergencies, or utility failures may interfere with normal operations over time. To have an organized plan for providing food to patients, staff and visitors.

Procedure

1. Department will maintain adequate supplies of non-perishable foods to last at least 10 days. Arrangements have been made with Gordon's Food Service (primary food vendor) and Okun Produce (refrigeration and food supplies), to give priority in delivering new supplies to the hospital and to provide a mechanism for refrigeration.
2. A predetermined menu will be used.
3. Priority is given to hospitalized patients prior to feeding staff and visitors.
4. See related policy 3364-104-715 on utility failure.