


Name of Policy: <u>Line Isolation Monitor Alarms</u> Policy Number: 3364-124-24 Department: Nursing Service/Operating Room Approving Officer: Director, Surgical Services Responsible Agent: Chief Nursing Officer/CNO Scope: Operating Room/Perioperative Services	 Effective Date: 12/31/2022 Initial Effective Date: 6/1993				
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(A) Policy Statement

Operating Room (OR) staff will respond appropriately to activation of Line Isolation Monitor (LIM) alarms.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To assure safety of patients and staff from potential injury due to leaking electrical current.

(C) Procedure

- OR staff will inspect all electrical equipment for damage prior to use. Damaged equipment will be handled as per Policy 3364-124-07.
- In the event the Line Isolation Monitor (LIM) alarm is activated, the RN circulator will:
 - systematically unplug all pieces of electrical equipment plugged into the alarming LIM until the alarm is silenced.
 - When the equipment item that is causing the alarm activation is identified, it will immediately be removed from service and tagged as "Do Not Use".
 - equipment removed from service will be cleared by the Biomedical Engineering department before returning to use.
- In the event the LIM alarm remains activated after all equipment has been unplugged, the RN circulator will call Facilities Maintenance Department to have an electrician come to the OR.

Approved by: <u>/s/</u> Michelle Mallett, MSN, RN, CNOR Director Surgical Services _____ Date _____ <u>/s/</u> Kurt Kless, MSN, MBA, RN, NE-BC. Chief Nursing Officer _____ Date _____ Review: Policy & Standard Committee, 9/11, 2/16, 8/19, 12/22 Revision completed by: Greg Shannon, MSN, RN.	Review/Revision Date: 3/1993 6/1996 1/1999 7/2002 7/2005 6/10/2008 9/2011 10/10/14 2.1.2016 8/1/2019 12/31/2022 Next Review Date: 12/2025
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