

Name of Policy: Fire Alarms, Extinguishers and Exit Doors at Kobacker Center			
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(A) Policy Statement

The fire alarms and fire extinguishers in the Kobacker Center will require a key. Exit door keys will be carried at all times by staff members.

(B) Purpose of Policy

The purpose of keyed access is to prevent unauthorized use of the alarms and extinguishers by patients, and to provide safe exit for staff and patients in the event of an emergency.

(C) Procedure

All UTMC inpatient behavioral health personnel will have keys to access the fire alarms, fire extinguishers and exit doors at all times. The campus police department will also have keys.

In the event of an emergency, such as a fire, exit doors will be opened by staff to provide evacuation of patients through the nearest exit.

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