

REMINDER

HEALTH & SAFETY: RESPONDING TO CHANGE IN STATUS

Description of Issue and Importance

A change in status is anything different about a person. Responding quickly and appropriately to a change in status could mean the difference in life and death. It has been noted that changes in status, even though noted, are not always acted upon resulting in negative consequences for the person.

Recommended Action and Prevention Strategy

- In potentially life-threatening situations call for emergency help immediately. Do not second guess yourself and do not call others first.
- Know what is baseline for the person so you will recognize a change.
- Document and report noted changes in status to your supervisor.
- Discuss noted changes in status with other team and family members.

Related Resources

“Recognizing Change in Status” Reminder

“Change in Status” Fact Sheet series

“Signs and Symptoms of Change in Status” Handout

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