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CODE PINK

Cardiac Arrest/Medical Emergency – Infant/Child

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INTRODUCTION

A **Code Pink** (cardiac arrest/medical emergency – infant/child) is initiated when a suspected cardiac arrest has occurred with a child.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL STAFF

- Upon finding any unresponsive child, notify medical personnel (physician/nurse) immediately.
- Stay with the child until medical personnel arrive and initiate basic life support, if trained.
- Non-medical personnel are to remain away from the **Code Pink** unless specifically requested to assist.
- Staff who participated in the code are to sign the *Emergency Code Staff Participation Record*

INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

Charge Nurse/Designate

- Confirm cardiac arrest/medical emergency.
- Notify switchboard to make the announcement.
- Ensure PALS guidelines are followed.
- Maintain order.
- Complete a formal [Codes Evaluation Form](#) and forward to the Manager of Support Services (administration).

SWITCHBOARD

When notified of a **CODE PINK**, announce the following over the PA system:

> **Attention please, attention please**
> **Code Pink – specific area**
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Example:
> **Attention please, attention please**
> **Code Pink – Observation Room 3, Emergency Department**
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