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Policy:

Ensure proper measures are taken in the event of gas pipeline emergencies.

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Prevailing Codes and Standards:

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Procedure:

**I. GENERAL:**

LSUHSC main campus natural gas supply is connected to two separate gas mains; one from Linwood, serving meters at the north west corner of the hospital power plant and the other from Linwood, serving meters at the north west corner of the medical school power plant. Stonewall upper site gas is connected to mains at the gate area. The lower site gas is disconnected. ACC/WCC Buildings meter on North side of warehouse. Allied Health meter on North side of building.

**II. EMERGENCY PROCEDURES:**

- A. In the event of a leaking or broken main ahead of the metering systems, contact the gas supplier at 866-275-5252 for immediate shutoff. Maintenance will respond to the gas outage, determine which buildings are without gas, inform Hospital Administration of the options available and move to minimize the outage.
- B. In the event of a leak inside or near (within 5 feet of) a building, shut off gas serving the area. Ventilate area to remove gas fumes. Follow guidelines in check list below.
- C. In the event of a fire or explosion that is being fed by escaping gas, close valves controlling gas flow to area at meter or curb main as required.

**III. EMERGENCY GUIDELINES:**

- A. Notify the proper personnel on the emergency notification roster.
- B. Dispatch personnel with knowledge and equipment to the scene of the emergency to check building and adjacent areas for concentrations of gas which could present a hazard.

- C. If a potential hazard exist to any building and occupants, notify authorities that the building should be evacuated immediately.
- D. The person on duty shall take necessary steps to prevent further damage or injury by shutting off gas supply to remove the hazard.
- E. If main electrical disconnecting device is not in area of gas fumes, turn off electrical supply to remove potential source of ignition from electrical arcs.

**IV. CALL OUT:**

- A. Follow the FIRE/EMERGENCY - CALL OUT LIST policy and procedures to notify proper personnel of the emergency.
- B. Notify the following if needed:

Fire, Police, Sheriff, Ambulance--> 9-911  
Gas Supplier-----> 866-275-5252