

**GROUNDS USE BY PATIENTS
 SAFETY**

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Policy:

Ensure that special activities areas, grounds and equipment used by hospital patients are maintained safe.

Prevailing Codes and Standards:

TJC EC 02.01.01(5)

Location:

Grounds and exterior activity areas.

Procedure:

- I. The Horticultural Attendant Superintendent will report to the appropriate maintenance supervisor any safety hazards found with grounds, special activity areas, and equipment.
- II. The equipment (benches, tables, etc.) in special activity areas will be repaired and or replaced as needed to enhance safety.
- III. Debris and obstructions will be removed as needed.
- IV. Hazards that cannot be repaired or replaced immediately will be barricaded.
- V. The Horticultural Attendant Superintendent will ensure that lawn mowing, edging, and other grounds care activities that require power equipment will not be performed in special activity areas when occupied by patients.