

NEW EMERGENCY CODE NOMENCLATURE

The following emergency nomenclature was developed by a task force of The Healthcare Association of Hawaii Emergency Preparedness Committee who assessed other states' nomenclature proposals and reviewed what is currently in the healthcare institutions in Hawaii. The purpose of this proposal is to provide standardization amongst organizations in the State of Hawaii. In the event of a crisis and/or disaster, the healthcare personnel responding will have a common language framework to function in and should experience less frustration and confusion.

CODE OR EVENT	RECOMMENDED CODE DESIGNATION
ALL CLEAR	ALL CLEAR
CARDIAC ARREST/MEDICAL EMERGENCY	CODE BLUE
FIRE	CODE RED
INFANT ABDUCTION	CODE PINK
HAZMAT/BIOTERRORISM	CODE ORANGE
SECURITY ASSISTANCE	CODE GRAY
SEVERE WEATHER	CODE BLACK
BOMB THREAT	CODE GREEN
DISASTER ACTIVATION PLAN - STANDBY	CODE TRIAGE - STANDBY
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