**Mission:** Coordinate the search for suspicious devices and for patients, staff, or visitors during situations of security breaches or infrastructure damage.

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| Position Reports to: **Security Branch Director** Command Location:  |
| Position Contact Information: Phone: ( ) - Radio Channel:  |
| Hospital Command Center (HCC): Phone: ( ) - Fax: ( ) -  |
| Position Assigned to: | Date:  **/ /** | Start: \_\_\_\_:\_\_\_\_ hrs. |
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| **Immediate Response (0 – 2 hours)** | **Time** | **Initial** |
| **Receive appointment** * Obtain briefing from the Security Branch Director on:
* Size and complexity of incident
* Expectations of the Incident Commander
* Incident objectives
* Involvement of outside agencies, stakeholders, and organizations
* The situation, incident activities, and any special concerns
* Assume the role of Search Unit Leader
* Review this Job Action Sheet
* Put on position identification (e.g., position vest)
* Notify your usual supervisor of your assignment
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| **Assess the operational situation*** Determine the level of the threat and potential danger to patients, staff and visitors, and any actions required
* Provide information to the Security Branch Director on the status
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| **Determine the incident objectives, tactics, and assignments** * Document unit objectives, tactics, and assignments on the HICS 204: Assignment List
* Based on the incident objectives for the response period consider the issues and priorities:
* Appoint Search Unit personnel in collaboration with the Security Branch Director
* Determine strategies and how the tactics will be accomplished
* Determine needed resources
* Brief unit personnel on the situation, strategies, and tactics, and designate time for next briefing
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| **Activities*** In the event of a suspicious device found on site or bomb threat, consider:
* Activation of Explosive Incident Response Plan
* Coordination with local law enforcement or bomb squad and the Law Enforcement Interface Unit
* Identification of areas that need to be searched
* Establishment of perimeters based on pre-event planning
* Coordination of search activities and reporting system
* For missing person (adult, child, or infant), consider:
* Activation of Missing Person Incident Response Plan
* Identification of areas that need to be searched
* Coordination of search activities and reporting system
* Coordination with local law enforcement
* In the event of damage to the hospital, consider:
* Coordination of search activities with the Infrastructure Branch
* Activation of defined search areas and patterns
* Ensuring searchers wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE)
* Maintaining a log of any reported missing persons; provide information to the Planning Section Situation Unit
* Obtain medical treatment for any persons found with injuries, and report injuries to the Security Branch Director and Medical Care Branch Director
* Report any observed structural damage to the Infrastructure Branch
* Provide situation information to staff and patients as situation warrants in collaboration with the Public Information Officer and Incident Commander
* Collaborate with the Safety Officer and the Infrastructure Branch as needed
* Provide status updates to the Security Branch Director regularly, advising of accomplishments and problems encountered
* Provide regular updates to unit personnel and inform of strategy changes as needed
* Ensure completion of appropriate security-specific and incident reports
* Consider development of a unit action plan; submit to the Security Branch Director if requested
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| **Documentation*** HICS 204: Document assignments and operational period objectives on Assignment List
* HICS 213: Document all communications on a General Message Form
* HICS 214: Document all key activities, actions, and decisions in an Activity Log on a continual basis
* HICS 252: Distribute Section Personnel Time Sheet to section personnel; ensure time is recorded appropriately, and submit it to the Finance/Administration Section Time Unit Leader at the completion of a shift or end of each operational period
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| **Resources** * Determine equipment and supply needs; request from the Logistics Section Supply Unit Leader and report to the Security Branch Director
* Assess issues and needs in unit areas; coordinate resource management
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| **Communication***Hospital to complete: Insert communications technology, instructions for use and protocols for interface with external partners* |  |  |
| **Safety and security*** Ensure that all unit personnel comply with safety procedures and instructions
* Ensure personal protective equipment (PPE) is available and utilized appropriately
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| **Intermediate Response (2 – 12 hours)** | **Time** | **Initial** |
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| **Activities*** Transfer the Search Unit Leader role, if appropriate
* Conduct a transition meeting to brief your replacement on the current situation, response actions, available resources, and the role of external agencies in support of the hospital
* Address any health, medical, and safety concerns
* Address political sensitivities, when appropriate
* Instruct your replacement to complete the appropriate documentation and ensure that appropriate personnel are properly briefed on response issues and objectives (see HICS Forms 203, 204, 214, and 215A)
* Ensure that vital information being given to personnel is in collaboration with the Public Information Officer and the Incident Commander
* Communicate status with external authorities, as appropriate, through the Security Branch Director and in coordination with the Liaison Officer
* Rotate staff and replace, activate staffing plan utilizing Labor Pool personnel as needed
* Meet regularly with the Security Branch Director for status reports
* Advise the Security Branch Director immediately of any operational issue you are not able to correct
* Relay important information and updates to unit personnel
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| **Documentation*** HICS 204: Document assignments and operational period objectives on Assignment List
* HICS 213: Document all communications on a General Message Form
* HICS 214: Document all key activities, actions, and decisions in an Activity Log on a continual basis
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| **Resources*** Assess issues and needs in unit areas; coordinate resource management
* Ensure equipment, supplies, and personal protective equipment (PPE) are replaced as needed
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| **Communication***Hospital to complete: Insert communications technology, instructions for use and protocols for interface with external partners* |  |  |
| **Safety and security*** Ensure that all unit personnel comply with safety procedures and instructions
* Ensure physical readiness through proper nutrition, water intake, rest, and stress management techniques
* Ensure unit personnel health and safety issues are being addressed; report issues to the Safety Officer and the Logistics Section Employee Health and Well-Being Unit
* Ensure personal protective equipment (PPE) is available and utilized appropriately
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| **Extended Response (greater than 12 hours)** | **Time** | **Initial** |
| **Activities*** Transfer the Search Unit Leader role, if appropriate
* Conduct a transition meeting to brief your replacement on the current situation, response actions, available resources, and the role of external agencies in support of the hospital
* Address any health, medical, and safety concerns
* Address political sensitivities, when appropriate
* Instruct your replacement to complete the appropriate documentation and ensure that appropriate personnel are properly briefed on response issues and objectives (see HICS Forms 203, 204, 214, and 215A)
* Continue Search Unit supervision, including monitoring, documentation, and safety practices
* Provide updates to the Security Branch Director and unit personnel
* Provide updates to the Logistics and Planning Sections
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| **Documentation*** HICS 204: Document assignments and operational period objectives on Assignment List
* HICS 213: Document all communications on a General Message Form
* HICS 214: Document all key activities, actions, and decisions in an Activity Log on a continual basis
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| **Resources*** Assess issues and needs in unit areas; coordinate resource management
* Ensure equipment, supplies, and personal protective equipment (PPE) are replaced as needed
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| **Communication** *Hospital to complete: Insert communications technology, instructions for use and*  *protocols for interface with external partners* |  |  |
| **Safety and security*** Ensure that all unit personnel continue to comply with safety procedures and instructions
* Observe all staff and volunteers for signs of stress and inappropriate behavior and report concerns to the Safety Officer and the Logistics Section Employee Health and Well-Being Unit Leader
* Provide for staff rest periods and relief
* Ensure physical readiness through proper nutrition, water intake, rest, and stress management techniques
* Ensure personal protective equipment (PPE) is available and utilized appropriately
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| **Demobilization/System Recovery** | **Time** | **Initial** |
| **Activities** * Transfer the Search Unit Leader role, if appropriate
* Conduct a transition meeting to brief your replacement on the current situation, response actions, available resources, and the role of external agencies in support of the hospital
* Address any health, medical, and safety concerns
* Address political sensitivities, when appropriate
* Instruct your replacement to complete the appropriate documentation and ensure that appropriate personnel are properly briefed on response issues and objectives (see HICS Forms 203, 204, 214, and 215A)
* Ensure the return, retrieval, and restocking of equipment and supplies
* As objectives are met and needs decrease, return unit personnel to their usual jobs and combine or deactivate positions in a phased manner in coordination with the Planning Section Demobilization Unit Leader
* Notify the Security Branch Director when demobilization and restoration is complete
* Coordinate reimbursement issues with the Finance/Administration Section
* Upon deactivation of your position, brief the Security Branch Director on current problems, outstanding issues, and follow up requirements
* Debrief unit personnel on issues, strengths, areas of improvement, lessons learned, and procedural or equipment changes as needed
* Submit comments to the Planning Section Chief for discussion and possible inclusion in an After Action Report and Corrective Action and Improvement Plan. Topics include:
* Review of pertinent position descriptions and operational checklists
* Recommendations for procedure changes
* Accomplishments and issues
* Participate in stress management and after action debriefings
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| **Documentation*** HICS 221: Demobilization Check-Out
* Ensure all documentation is submitted to the Planning Section Documentation Unit
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| **Documents and Tools** |
| * HICS 203 - Organization Assignment List
* HICS 204 - Assignment List
* HICS 213 - General Message Form
* HICS 214 - Activity Log
* HICS 215A - Incident Action Plan (IAP) Safety Analysis
* HICS 221 - Demobilization Check-Out
* HICS 252 - Section Personnel Time Sheet
* Hospital Emergency Operations Plan
* Hospital Incident Specific Plans or Annexes
* Explosive Incident Response Plan
* Missing Person Incident Response Plan
* Hospital Security Plan
* Hospital blueprints and maps
* Hospital organization chart
* Hospital telephone directory
* Telephone/cell phone/satellite phone/internet/amateur radio/2-way radio for communication
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