YSM Safety & Security Committee
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• Blue Phones/ Blue Phone Project
  o All phones are operational.
  o ADA compliance: existing footings are going to be adjusted so all new installations are ADA Compliant.
  o 457 Congress Ave Blue Phone has been installed.
  o Data is being collected for additional blue phones, frequency, and volume of the calls
  o Routine check-ups, and monthly testing of blue phones for operational use
  o Protocols are in place for access control. Students looking to enter buildings/ dorms can use the Keypad on the blue phones.

• 100 Long Wharf: Building Signage
  o Signs prohibiting vaping, or tobacco products, prohibiting illegal substances, and prohibiting any weapons of any kind have been ordered and installed.

• System Security Plans Update
  o Approved: Four overarching Goals for FY23 & FY24
    ▪ Harden the physical security of the hospital campuses.
      • Install weapon detectors and metal detectors in the emergency departments and main entrances.
      • Visitor pass management system- Great success at the pilot in the New Haven Campus
    ▪ Strengthen internal security & address workplace violence.
      • System-wide notification with detailed information on incidents that may occur.
• Provide panic devices for staff working in emergency and psychiatric departments.
• Removal of the last name from badges, to ensure safety for the caregiver.
  ▪ Strengthen external security.
    • Collaborate with the community, prioritizing safe entry & exit from the workplace including parking lots and garages.
  ▪ Optimize system standards
    • System-wide Formal Patient Code of Conduct
      ○ There are a total of 26 interventions the health system plans to implement.
• Ambulatory and Clinical Safety & Security Protocol
  ○ Students have raised concerns about their safety in clinical environments.
    ▪ Add safety brief to new student orientation and information on blue phones to new faculty orientation
  ○ Rapid response committees have been established in case of a threatening event in a clinical environment.
  ○ Medical Students & PA Students are not on the notification systems when incidents occur.
    ▪ Follow up: add all students to the Everbridge communication system for targeted messages
  ○ Subcommittees around ambulatory sites have been established
    ▪ subcommittee focusing on training and exercise, drills for active shooters
    ▪ subcommittee focusing on physical security and the technology throughout the system
    ▪ Subcommittee focusing on incident reporting and response
  ○ A quantitative methodology has been established to rate each site’s risk
  ○ Add metal detectors to ambulance bays as well as the walk-in entrances to the emergency department
  ○ YSM Communications
    ▪ Last YSM Safety Town Hall: July 26
      • FAQs submitted by the audience were recorded and shared with the Town Hall panelists
    ▪ Monthly Newsletter to the YSM Community with FAQ Updates
      • Blue Phone/LiveSafe to be featured in the August 31 newsletter to align with the new academic year
  ○ 135 College Perimeter Security
    ▪ Concerns of the building safety has been raised
      • Teenagers ran into the building and pulled the fire alarm
      • Use of illicit drugs
      • Homeless people sleeping in the ATM Lobby
      • Doors are red lit
    ▪ Suggestions/solutions
      • Adding visible cameras with Signage
      • Follow-up on adding a Blue Phone near/on the property
• Adding front door buzzer access so non-Yale affiliated attendees can be buzzed into the building
  o Patient Care Data
    ▪ Follow-up: Sue Cascio & Kelly Aingworth to collect data on frequency of patient care traffic and building/parking lot access