Regular Protocol Reviews Collaborate with Send draft to Policy workgroup and Writing Convene vested party Team to create a draft. Coordinator for Incorporate feedback as review. appropriate. Notify Policy Upload Protocol is due or Send department Coordinator and document(s) to Notify Point approved to be staff notification Department central storage Person. updated. email. Head(s) location. Writing Team Lead Writing Team member assign Assigned member Create document draft one or more research applicable rules writing team based research. and regulations. members to project. Send to appropriate Notify Writing Department Team of project. Head(s) with any with policy? outstanding concerns highlighted. Department Head(s) Send to Policy Update? Review and sign Coordinator and document(s). Protocol Coordinator Determine and Consult with Policy coordinate Coordinator alternate review process.

Notes

- Protocols cannot be in violation of OSH policies, laws, regulations, The Joint Commission standards, etc.
- Protocols are a standalone document that can be updated and approved independently through this process as needed. Updates do not need to wait for a policy review as long as updates are compliant with policy.
- If a policy is updated, Department Heads should verify that their standing protocols are still in compliance and updated as needed.
- Department Heads should work together to ensure their protocol picks up where other department's protocols may leave off to avoid process gaps.
- Protocols are a department-level, step-by-step plan of how each department will implement policy/procedures. Protocols are department-specific and may not describe tasks for multiple departments, unless otherwise allowed per policy.