

Advisory 19-08 Smoking On Hospital Grounds

To: All EMS Agencies and Providers

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As a reminder, *all area hospitals prohibit smoking and vaping on hospital grounds*. Additionally, State Law (PHL §1399-o) prohibits smoking or vaping on the grounds of hospitals and residential health care facilities. Hospitals can be held responsible for the mere presence of used smoking materials on their grounds by the Joint Commission and other accreditation and regulatory bodies.

Smokers, please respect these laws and policies, and I would encourage you to speak with your health care provider about alternatives to help you quit. Smoking Kills.

With any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

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