New Element of Performance in the Life Safety Chapter

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APPLICABLE TO THE AMBULATORY HEALTH CARE ACCREDITATION PROGRAM

Effective January 1, 2020

Standard LS.01.01.01

The organization designs and manages the physical environment to comply with the Life Safety Code.

Note 1: This standard applies to sites of care where four or more patients at the same time are provided either

anesthesia or outpatient services that render patients incapable of saving themselves in the event of an

emergency in the organization.

Note 2: This standard applies to all ambulatory surgical centers and outpatient surgical departments seeking

accreditation for Medicare certification purposes, regardless of the number of patients rendered incapable.

Element(s) of Performance for LS.01.01.01

7. The organization maintains current basic building information (BBI) within the

statement of conditions (SOC).