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# ENVIRONMMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY AND COMMITMENT

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## 1. SCOPE / DOMAIN OF APPLICATION:

Applies to all departments, services, staff, leadership, and operations within Mount Lebanon Hospital University Medical Center, including clinical and non-clinical areas, facility services and administrative functions.

#### 2. Purpose:

Establish a clear commitment and structured approach for integrating environmental sustainability into the core functions of the hospital.

## 3. **DEFINITION(S) AND ABBREVIATION(S):**

Environmental sustainability: It's the ability to maintain an ecological balance in our planet's natural environment and conserve natural resources to support the wellbeing of current and future generations.

#### 4. POLICY(IES):

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- Mount Lebanon Hospital University Medical Center integrates environmental sustainability into its mission, governance, and strategic planning, aligning with national climate targets and regulatory requirements.
- Dedicated sustainability leadership will support in goal setting and reporting, resource allocation, and cross-departmental engagement.
- Staff and stakeholders will be engaged through clear communication, feedback platforms, and committee involvement to develop and support sustainability-related initiatives.
- Sustainability indicators and projects will be reviewed annually by the Executive Committee, with project proposals discussed and developed within the Facility Management System Committee.

#### 5. PROCEDURE:

Mount Lebanon Hospital University Medical Center acknowledges the growing impact of climate change on public health and healthcare systems. The hospital is committed to embedding environmental sustainability across all levels of the organization to ensure the delivery of resilient, high-quality, and sustainable care.

The organization is committed to the following:

- Integrate sustainability into the organizational mission, values, and governance by formally incorporating environmental goals into strategic plans and public-facing documents.
- Comply with and proactively respond to environmental laws and regulations, ensuring the hospital aligns with national climate and environmental targets.
- Identify sustainability priorities and set clear, measurable goals to reduce the facility carbon footprint, minimize waste, conserve water, and promote resource efficiency.
- Engage all hospital stakeholders by clearly communicating sustainability objectives, roles, and responsibilities.
- Establish a platform to collect staff feedback and ideas on sustainability-related projects,
- Monitor, evaluate, and report progress using relevant sustainability indicators and reporting frameworks to ensure transparency and continuous improvement.



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- Appoint dedicated sustainability leadership to develop, implement, and oversee strategies, set targets, secure resources, and ensure broad engagement across the organization. The facility has designated the Sustainability Officer to take on this role and lead sustainability efforts.
- Promote initiatives that offer co-benefits, such as improving patient and staff well-being, enhancing operational performance, reducing costs, and contributing to the long-term financial and ecological sustainability of the hospital.
- Present and review adopted sustainability indicators, at least once per year, in the Executive Committee meetings. Sustainability related projects such as energy and water conversation projects will be presented to the committee for review and approval.
- Discuss sustainability indicators, as well as projects aimed at reducing costs related to waste, water, and energy, during the Facility Management System Committee. The committee will also review project ideas proposed by various stakeholders and will work on developing project plans and proposals to be presented to the Executive Committee.

#### 6. ANNEXE(S):

- FD-L-01: Facility Management System Committee

GB-L-01: Executive CommitteeHR-P-02: Training ProcedureHR-P-08: Employee Orientation

## 7. REFERENCE DOCUMENT(S):

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