Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance (ITM) Items Considered for State LSC Blanket Waiver during COVID-19

Considered for Critical Access Hospitals (CAH) that receive a LSC survey as noted, and for which the quarterly or annual inspection timeframe occurred during the COVID-19 restriction timeframe. The requirements in the Department of Health Chapter 3, Section 5(a)(i)(ii), and the Department of Health Chapter 17, Sections 19(a), and 20(a) shall apply. It is expected that testing will be completed as soon as possible once restrictions are lifted.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM: NFPA 72

- Annual annunciator panel Table 14.4.5(1)
- Annual tests of pull stations, smoke/heat detectors, smoke dampers, etc. Table 14.4.5(15)(f); 14.4.5(15)(e); 14.4.5(15)(h)
- Semi-annual tests of battery load check, sealed battery inspection Table 14.4.5(6)(3); 14.3.1(3)
- Quarterly tests of water flow alarms/ supervisory signal devices 13.2.6.1; NFPA 25 Table 5.1.1.2; 5.3.2
- Annual notification device test Table 14.4.5(20)

SPRINKLER SYSTEMS: NFPA 25

- Annual tests such as main drain, backflow preventer 13.2.5; 13.6.2.1
- Annual anti-freeze checks 5.3.4
- Dry systems: annual and quarterly tests 13.4.4.3.2; 13.4.4.2.1
- Fire pumps: annual tests 13.5.7.2.2; 8.3.3

KITCHEN RANGE HOOD EXHAUST/DUCT CLEANING: NFPA 96

- Semi-annual inspection cleaned as required 11.4

KITCHEN EXTINGUISHING SYSTEM: NFPA 96

- Semi-annual check and test 11.5

GENERATOR: NFPA 110

- Annual tests 8.4.2.3

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS: NFPA 10

- Annual checks 7.3.1.1.1

FIRE DAMPERS: NFPA 80

- 4 year or 6 year inspection cycle if concurrent with COVID-19 restriction 19.4.1.1