

# Smoke Free Campus Timeline of Events/Actions

## January 2003

- Smoking committee established to make UAB Hospital campus a smoke free facility

## March 2003

- Campus walk through visiting sanctioned and unsanctioned smoking areas
- Revised Designated Smoking Areas on UAB Hospital campus

## May 2003

- Blueprint comparison of current smoking areas versus current non-smoking areas and proposed sanctioned versus unsanctioned smoking areas
- Determination of planned smoking areas for North Pavilion. Per Tom Allen, no specific smoking areas designated for North Pavilion

## June 2003

- Created “UAB Hospital’s Smoke Free Environment Pledge” for inclusion at New Employee orientation
- Internet research of smoking cessation facts and figures
- Comparison of 2003 versus 2004 JCAHO smoking policy standards
- Research related to Smoke Free facilities at other institutions
- Obtained Tobacco Free Hospitals of Arkansas pamphlet

## July 2003

- Obtained a CD from the University of Michigan outlining their procedures for making their hospital campus “smoke free”
- Contacted Lynn Bailey in Employee Health regarding smoking cessation classes for employees
- Kay Allen provided information for smoking literature given out to patient’s family members/friends in the ICU & SDS waiting rooms

## August 2003

- Went with Mark McKay to visit the UAB sign shop to assess their capability to make signage for smoke free facility
- Met with Karen Pugh to discuss legal issues of making campus smoke free
- Wrote letter on Mary’s behalf stating hospital’s intent to create a smoke free environment
- Obtained copies of TKC and Callahan smoking policies

## September 2003

- Hotline call voicing displeasure of smoking outside the hospital
- Ed Crump gave an assessment of monetary savings we could realize in Environmental Services from implementing a smoke free environment
- Received information form the American Cancer Society listing smoking cessation programs available in Birmingham
- Meeting with Dr. Paul Green, Carol Crisp and Bo Cofield
- Information and prices from Mark Todd on smoking cessation aids
- Research to compare prices of UAB pharmacy smoking cessation aids versus local drug store prices
- Met with MJ Tucker to talk about smoking cessation education given to patients and information available to patients

### **October 2003**

- On October 13<sup>th</sup>, Bo and Keith meet with Mary to discuss actions completed and action plan to make UAB Hospital Campus a “smoke free” facility
- On October 15<sup>th</sup>, presentation to AED/COT for their approval

### **November 2003**

- Continue to develop smoke free action plans and put steps in place to achieve goal of “smoke free” facility

### **January 2004**

- Presentation of “final” Smoke Free Environment plan to AED/COT group
- Presentation to Management Forum with the smoking committee’s intentions to create a “smoke free” environment
- Presentation to Employee Meeting with the smoking committee’s intentions to create a “smoke free” environment
- Town Hall meetings for employees every 2-3 weeks between announcement and implementation date
- New Employee orientation (every two weeks) announcement of UABH becoming Smoke Free

### **February 2004**

- SFE marquee on Centernet website announcing UAB Hospital intention to become smoke free on April 11<sup>th</sup>
- Announcement on SPP/SCR website announcing UAB Hospital intention to become smoke free on April 11<sup>th</sup>
- Flyers in waiting areas announcing our intention to become “smoke free”
- Flyers in “Hospital News” cases around the hospital.
- Notices in present designated smoking areas announcing effective dates of “smoke free” facility
- Announcement on UAB Healthsystem website patient and visitor information page and UAB Hospital employee intranet site announcing UAB Hospital intention to become smoke free on April 11<sup>th</sup>
- Town Hall meetings February 10 and February 23 (nightshift)
- Town Hall meeting announcements in Monday Mailing
- Met with Bob Nunnally to discuss new signage for facility including banner in walkways over 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> streets
- Information to Dennis Sanchez for inclusion in Patient Admission Paperwork packet
- Smoking Policy reviewed and approved by the Hospital Safety Committee. To be endorsed by Drs Nash and Buchalter in first week of March
- Presentation to Management Forum with the smoking committee’s intentions to create a “smoke free” environment
- Presentation to Employee Meeting with the smoking committee’s intentions to create a “smoke free” environment
- New Employee orientation (every two weeks) announcement of UABH becoming Smoke Free to new hospital employees

### **March 2004**

- Letter from Executive Director to employees and physicians announcing our intention to become “smoke free”
- News release to local media
- Announcement in UAB Reporter, Monday Mailing and Synopsis announcing “smoke free” facility
- Town Hall meeting March 11 (nightshift) and March 17
- Walk through of Hospital Campus to determine appropriate “no smoking” signage
- TKC agrees to become smokefree on April 11, 2004. Met with David Caldwell, AED of TKC to help implement this initiative.
- Presentation to TKC Clinical Practice Committee and the UAB Hospital Clinical Council
- Presentation to Management Forum with the smoking committee’s intentions to create a “smoke free” environment

- Presentation to Employee Meeting with the smoking committee's intentions to create a "smoke free" environment
- New Employee orientation (every two weeks) announcement of UABH becoming Smoke Free to new hospital employees
- Walking Rounds schedule for Directors/Managers compiled
- Met with Jeff Hester and Shuron Hunter of the VA to help them initiate process of going smoke free on April 11<sup>th</sup>.

#### **April 2004**

- Town Hall meeting April 04
- Installation of signage making the University Hospital campus a "smoke free" facility
- New Employee orientation (every two weeks) announcement of UABH becoming Smoke Free to new hospital employees
- Video on TIGR system
- April 10<sup>th</sup>, removal of all ash receptacles from University Hospital campus by Environmental Services
- Smoking walking rounds conducted by Directors/Managers daily around Hospital Campus
- Gum offered for Directors/Managers to take on smoking rounds to give to visitors as alternative
- ***APRIL 11, 2004 SMOKE FREE POLICY ENFORCED BY HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION***

#### **July 2004**

- Re-convened Smoking Committee group to review good issues and bad issues that have arisen since implementation of SFE.
- Group discussed actions needed for the continued success of the SFE