

## HEALTHCARE INTERPRETATIONS TASK FORCE INTERPRETATION

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**Question:** Can the normal clinical staff in an area affected by a fire alarm impairment or a sprinkler system impairment be used to satisfy the requirements for a fire watch?

**Answer:** YES. Clinical staff may fulfill this role provided, as determined by the authority having jurisdiction, there is an adequate staffing level to continuously patrol the affected area and that they have the means to make proper notification to other occupants in the event of a fire.