COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST

IP5 Critical Care Unit

The following checklist is intended to be used in the plan review applications for health care facilities submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. This checklist summarizes and references the applicable requirements from the Licensure Regulations and the 2018 Edition of the FGI Guidelines for Design and Construction of Hospitals. Applicants must verify compliance of the plans submitted to the Department with all referenced requirements from the Licensure Regulations and FGI Guidelines when completing this Checklist. A separate Checklist must be completed for each nursing unit, hospital or clinic department, or clinical suite.

Other jurisdictions, regulations and codes may have additional requirements which are not included in this checklist, such as:
- State Building Code (780 CMR)
- Accreditation requirements of The Joint Commission
- CDC Guidelines for Preventing the Transmission of Mycobacterium Tuberculosis in Health Care Facilities
- USP 797 & Regulations of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy
- Occupational Safety & Health Standards (OSHA)
- Accessibility Guidelines of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Architectural Access Board Regulations (521 CMR)
- Local Authorities having jurisdiction.

Instructions:
1. All requirement lines must be completed according to the following instructions and included in the plan submissions for Self-Certification Process or Abbreviated Review Process.
2. This checklist must be completed by the project architect or engineer based on the design actually reflected in the plans at the time of completion of the checklist.
3. Each requirement line (___) of this Checklist must be completed exclusively with one of the following marks, unless otherwise directed in the checklist. If a functional space is not affected by a renovation project, the mark “E” may be indicated on the requirement line (___) before the name of the functional space (associated requirements on indented lines below that name, or associated MEP requirements do not have to be completed in this case). If more than one functional space serves a given required function (e.g. patient room or exam room), that clarification should be provided in the Project Narrative, and the requirement lines are understood to only address the functional spaces that are involved in the project.

X = Requirement is met, for new space, for renovated space, or for existing direct support space for an expanded service.

E = Requirement relative to an existing suite or area that has been licensed for its designated function, is not affected by the construction project and does not pertain to a required direct support space for the specific service affected by the project. “E” must not be used for an existing required support space associated with a new patient care room or area.

W = Waiver requested for specific section of the Regulations or FGI Guidelines, where hardship in meeting requirement can be demonstrated (a Physical Plant Waiver Form must be completed for each waiver request). An explicit floor plan or plan detail must be attached to each waiver request.

4. All room functions marked with “X” must be shown on the plans with the same name labels as in this checklist.
5. Mechanical, electrical & plumbing requirements are only partially mentioned in this checklist. The relevant section of the FGI Guidelines must be used for project compliance with all MEP requirements and for waiver references.
6. Oxygen, vacuum, medical air, waste anesthesia gas disposal and instrument air outlets (if required) are identified respectively by the abbreviations “OX”, “VAC”, “MA”, “WAGD” & “IA”.
7. Requirements referenced with “FI” result from formal interpretations from the FGI Interpretations Task Group.
8. The location requirements including asterisks (*) refer to the definitions of the Glossary in the beginning section of the FGI Guidelines and reproduced in this checklist.

Facility Name: ________________________________
Facility Address: ________________________________

Satellite Name: (if applicable) ________________________________
Satellite Address: (if applicable) ________________________________

Project Description: ________________________________

DoN Project Number: (if applicable)

Patient Care Unit Bed Complements:
Current = _____________ Proposed = _____________

Building/Floor Location: ________________________________

Submission Dates:
Initial Date: _____________ Revision Date: _____________
**Architectural Requirements**

2.2-2.6  
**CRITICAL CARE UNIT**

2.1-1.2.3  
Shared Services:  
___ No combined functions unless specifically allowed in this checklist

2.2-2.6.1.2  
Location:  
(1)  
___ critical care unit located in same building as services and/or departments required to provide care to critical care patients (e.g. emergency, respiratory therapy, laboratory, radiology, surgery)

(2)  
___ unit be located so that medical emergency resuscitation teams can respond promptly to emergency calls with minimum travel time

(3)  
___ location does not permit unrelated traffic of staff, public or other patients through unit (except for emergency egress)

2.2-2.6.2  
**CRITICAL CARE PATIENT CARE AREAS**

2.2-2.6.2.2  
Space Requirements:  
(1)  
___ each patient care station is single-patient room

(2)  
___ each patient room has min. clear floor area 200 sf  
___ min. headwall width 13’-0”

(3)(a)  
___ min. clearance 1’-0” from head of bed to wall

(3)(b)  
___ min. clearance 5’-0” from foot of bed to wall

(3)(c)  
___ min. clearance 5’-0” on transfer side

(3)(d)  
___ min. clearance 4’-0” on non-transfer side

(5)  
___ patient room sized to allow for minimum of two seated visitors without interfering with providers’ access to patient & equipment

2.2-2.6.2.3  
Windows In Patient Rooms:  
2.1-7.2.2.5(1)  
___ each patient room provided with natural light by means of window to outside

2.1-7.2.2.5(3)  
(a)  
___ minimum net glazed area be no less than 8% of required min. clear floor area of room served

(b)  
___ maximum 36 inches windowsill height above finished floor

2.2-2.6.2.4  
Ventilation:  
___ Min. 4 air changes per hour  
Table 7.1

2.2-2.6.2.5  
Lighting:  
___ General lighting  
2.1-8.3.4.3(1)

___ Lighting for bed permits staff observation of patient  
___ minimizes glare

2.2-2.6.2.6  
Power:  
___ Min. 16 receptacles in total  
Table 2.1-1

___ convenient to head of bed with one on each wall

2.2-2.6.2.7  
Nurse Call System:  
___ Patient station  
Table 2.1-2

___ Staff assistance station  
___ Emergency call station

2.2-2.6.2.8  
Medical Gases:  
___ 1 OX, 3 VAC, 1 MA per bed  
Table 2.1-3
### Architectural Requirements

#### Patient Privacy:

- **2.2-2.6.2.4**
  1. View panels to corridor with means to allow visual privacy
  2. Existing multiple patient care stations in renovation projects
     - Check if not included in project
     - Each patient care station has provisions for visual privacy from casual observation by other patients & visitors

#### Handwashing Stations:

- **2.2-2.6.2.5**
  1. Handwashing station provided in each patient room
  2. Existing multiple patient care stations in renovation projects
     - Check if not included in project
  
  - **a)** At least one handwashing station provided for every 3 patient care stations
  - **b)** Handwashing station located near patient care station

#### Toilet Room or Human Waste Disposal Room:

- **2.2-2.6.6**
  1. Enclosed toilet room
     - Toilet with bedpan-rinsing device
     - Direct access from patient room
  
  - **or**
     - Enclosed human waste disposal room
  
  - **b)** Flushing-rim clinical sink with bedpan-rinsing device
     - Direct access from patient room

### Building Systems Requirements

#### Ventilation:

- **Min. 10 air changes per hour**

#### Exhaust

#### Negative pressure

#### No recirculating room units

### SPECIAL PATIENT CARE AREAS

#### 2.2-2.6.4

- **Airborne infection isolation (AII) room**
  1. At least one AII room provided in one critical care unit
  2. Complies with requirements applicable to patient rooms
     - Capacity one bed
     - Personal protective equipment (PPE) storage at entrance to room
     - Handwashing station
     - Patient toilet room
     - Serves only one AII room

#### Ventilation:

- Min. 10 air changes per hour

- Exhaust

- Negative pressure

- No recirculating room units
2.1-2.4.2.3

Architectural Requirements

_____ Anteroom

☐ check if not included in project

(1) _____ provides space for persons to don personal protective equipment (PPE) before entering patient room

(2) _____ all doors to anteroom have self-closing devices

or

_____ audible alarm activated when AII room is in use as isolation room

(3)(a) _____ handwashing station

(3)(b) _____ storage for unused PPE

(3)(c) _____ disposal/holding container for used PPE

2.1-2.4.2.4

Architectural Details & Furnishings:

(1)(a) _____ perimeter walls ceiling & floor including penetrations constructed to prevent air exfiltration

(1)(b) _____ self-closing devices on all room exit doors

or

_____ activation of audible alarm when AII room is in use as isolation room

_____ edge seals provided along sides & top of doorframe for any door into AII room

(2) (a) _____ window treatments do not include fabric drapes & curtains

2.1-7.2.3.1(7)(a) _____ floors are monolithic & integral coved wall bases are at least 6” high & tightly sealed to wall

2.1-2.4.2.5 _____ room pressure visual or audible alarm

2.2-2.2.4.4

_____ Protective environment (PE) room

☐ check if not included in project

2.1-2.4.2.2

_____ complies with requirements applicable to patient rooms

(1) _____ capacity one bed

(2) _____ personal protective equipment (PPE) storage at entrance to room

(3) _____ handwashing station

Ventilation:

_____ Min. 10 air changes per hour  Table 7.1

_____ Exhaust

_____ No recirculating room units

_____ Supply air diffusers are located above patient bed

_____ Exhaust grilles or registers located near patient room door
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Architectural Requirements

2.1-2.8.8.2(1)
(a) ___ medication preparation room
   ___ under visual control of nursing staff
(b) ___ work counter
   ___ handwashing station
   ___ lockable refrigerator
   ___ locked storage for controlled drugs
   ___ sharps containers
   □ check if not included in project
   ___ self-contained
   ______ medication-dispensing unit
   □ check if not included in project
   ___ room designed with space to prepare medications

2.1-2.8.8.2(2)
(a) ___ automated medication-dispensing unit
   ___ located at nurse station, in clean workroom or in alcove
(b) ___ handwashing station located next to stationary medication-dispensing units or stations

Building Systems Requirements

Ventilation:
___ Min. 4 air changes per hour Table 7.1

Lighting:
___ Task lighting 2.1-2.8.8.1(2)(d)

Nurse Call System:
___ Duty station (light/sound signal) Table 2.1-2

2.2-2.6.8.9
___ Nourishment area or room
(2) ___ located within critical care unit
   or
   ___ shared with another critical care unit
   ___ accessible from critical care unit without travel through public corridor

2.1-2.8.9.2
(1) ___ handwashing station
(2) ___ work counter
(3) ___ refrigerator
(4) ___ microwave
(5) ___ storage cabinets
(6) ___ space for temporary storage of food service implements

Ventilation:
___ Min. 2 air changes per hour Table 7.1

Nurse Call System:
___ Duty station (light/sound signal) 2.1-8.5.1.2(3)(b)

2.1-2.8.9.3
___ provisions & space are included for separate temporary storage of unused & soiled meal trays

2.2-2.6.8.10
___ Ice-making equipment
(1) ___ provides ice for treatment & nourishment
## Architectural Requirements

### 2.2-2.6.8.11

**Clean workroom or clean supply room**

- located within critical care unit
- shared with another critical care unit
- accessible from critical care unit
- without travel through public corridor

### 2.1-2.8.11.2

**Clean workroom**

- located within critical care unit
- used for preparing patient care items
- work counter
- handwashing station
- storage facilities for clean & sterile supplies

**Ventilation:**

- **Min. 4 air changes per hour**
- Positive pressure

**Nurse Call System:**

- Duty station (light/sound signal)

### 2.1-2.8.11.3

**Clean supply room**

- located within critical care unit
- used only for storage & holding as part of system for distribution of clean & sterile supplies

**Ventilation:**

- Min. 4 air changes per hour
- Positive pressure

### 2.2-2.6.8.12

**Soiled workroom or soiled holding room**

- located within critical care unit
- shared with another critical care unit
- accessible from critical care unit
- without travel through public corridor

### 2.1-2.8.12.2

**Soiled workroom**

- handwashing station
- flushing-rim clinical service sink with bedpan-rinsing device or equivalent flushing-rim fixture
- work counter
- space for separate covered containers for waste & soiled linen
- fluid management system is used

- **Min. 10 air changes per hour**
- Exhaust
- Negative pressure
- No recirculating room units

**Nurse Call System:**

- Duty station (light/sound signal)

### 2.1-2.8.12.3

**Soiled holding room**

- handwashing station or hand sanitation station
- space for separate covered containers for waste & soiled linen

**Ventilation:**

- Min. 10 air changes per hour
- Exhaust
- Negative pressure
- No recirculating room units
### Architectural Requirements

#### 2.2-2.6.8.13(1)
- **Clean linen storage**
  - (b) located within critical care unit
  - or shared with another critical care unit
  - or accessible from critical care unit without travel through public corridor

#### 2.1-2.8.13.1
- (1) stored in clean workroom
  - or separate closet
  - or covered cart distribution system on each floor
- (2) storage of clean linen carts in designated corridor alcoves, clean workroom or closets

#### 2.2-2.6.8.13(2)
- **Equipment storage room or alcoves**
  - (a) sized to provide min. 20 sf per patient care station
  - (b) equipment storage room contains space & provisions for recharging equipment

- (3) Wheelchair & gurney storage
- (4) Emergency equipment storage

#### 2.1-2.8.13.4
- (1) each patient care unit has at least one emergency equipment storage location
- (2) provided under visual observation of staff
- (3) storage locations in corridors do not encroach on minimum required corridor width

#### 2.2-2.6.8.14
- **Environmental services room**

#### 2.1-2.8.14.1
- (1) readily accessible* to unit or floor it serves (permitted to serve more than one patient care unit on floor)

#### 2.1-2.8.14.2
- (1) service sink or floor-mounted mop sink
- (2) provisions for storage of supplies & housekeeping equipment
- (3) handwashing station
  - or hand sanitation station

### Building Systems Requirements

#### Ventilation:
- Min. 10 air changes per hour Table 7.1
- Exhaust
- Negative pressure
- No recirculating room units

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Architectural Requirements

2.2-2.6.8.15  Examination room
☐ check if not included in project

2.1-2.1.2  Patient Privacy:
☐ provisions are made to address patient visual & speech privacy

2.1-3.2.2.1  Space Requirements:

(1)  min. clear floor area 120 sf
☐ min. clear dimension 10'-0"

(2)(a) room size permits room arrangement with min. clearance 3'-0" at each side & at foot of exam table
☐ room arrangement (layout #1) shown in the plans

(2)(b) exam table, recliner or chair is placed at angle closer to one wall than another or against wall to accommodate type of patient being served
☐ check if not included in project
☐ room arrangement (layout #2) shown in the plans

2.1-3.2.2.2  (2)
☐ storage for supplies

(3) accommodations for written or electronic documentation

(4) space for visitor’s chair

(5) handwashing station

2.2-2.6.8.16  Patient-monitoring equipment

(1) each unit contains equipment for physiological monitoring with visual displays for each patient at bedside & at nurse station or centralized monitoring area

(2) monitors located to permit easy viewing
☐ monitors do not interfere with access to patient

2.2-2.6.8.17  Image-viewing capability unit (may serve more than one critical care unit)

Building Systems Requirements

2.2-2.6.9  SUPPORT AREAS FOR STAFF
2.2-2.6.9.1  Staff lounge
☐ min.100 sf

(1) located in or adjacent* to critical care unit (may serve adjacent* critical care units)

(2) telephone or intercom & emergency call station connections to critical care unit it serves

(4) equipment & space for seating

Ventilation:
☐ Min. 6 air changes per hour  Table 7.1

Lighting:
☐ Portable or fixed exam light  2.1-8.3.4.3(3)

Power:
☐ Min. 8 receptacles in total  Table 2.1-1

Nurse Call System:
☐ Staff assistance station  Table 2.1-2

Emergency call station
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*LOCATION TERMINOLOGY:
- **Directly accessible**: Connected to the identified area or room through a doorway, pass-through, or other opening without going through an intervening room or public space.
- **Adjacent**: Located next to but not necessarily connected to the identified area or room.
- **Immediately accessible**: Available either in or adjacent to the identified area or room.
- **Readily accessible**: Available on the same floor or in the same clinic as the identified area or room.
ARCHITECTURAL DETAILS

2.1-7.2.2.1 CORRIDOR WIDTH:
- Aisles, corridors & ramps required for exit access in a hospital not less than 8'-0" in clear & unobstructed width
- Detailed code review incorporated in Project Narrative
- Aisles, corridors & ramps in adjunct areas not intended for the housing, treatment, or use of inpatients not less than 44" in clear & unobstructed width
- Detailed code review incorporated in Project Narrative

2.1-7.2.2.2 CEILING HEIGHT:
1. Min. ceiling height 7'-6" in corridors & in normally unoccupied spaces
3. Min. height 7'-6" above floor of suspended tracks, rails & pipes located in traffic path for patients in beds & on stretchers
Min. ceiling height 7'-10" in other areas

2.1-7.2.2.3 DOORS & DOOR HARDWARE:
1. Door Type:
   - doors between corridors, rooms, or spaces subject to occupancy swing type or sliding doors
   - sliding doors
   - check if not included in project
   - manual or automatic sliding doors comply with NFPA 101
   - detailed code review incorporated in Project Narrative
   - no floor tracks
2. Door Opening:
   - min. 45.5" clear door width for patient rooms
   - min. 83.5" clear door height for patient rooms
   - swinging doors for personnel use in addition to sliding doors
   - check if not included in project
   - min. clear width 34.5"
3. Door Swing:
   - doors do not swing into corridors except doors to non-occupiable spaces (e.g. environmental services rooms & electrical closets) & doors with emergency breakaway hardware

2.1-7.2.2.5 WINDOWS IN PATIENT ROOMS:
1. Each patient room provided with natural light by means of window to outside
2. Operable windows in patient rooms or suites
   - check if not included in project
   - window operation is limited with either stop limit/restrictor hardware or open guard/screen prevents passage of 4-inch diameter sphere through opening

2.1-7.2.2.6 INSECT SCREENS

2.1-7.2.2.7 GLAZING MATERIALS:
- Glazing within 1 foot 6 inches of floor
  - check if not included in project
  - must be safety glass, wire glass or plastic break-resistant material
### 2.1-7.2.2.8 HANDWASHING STATIONS:

1. **Handwashing stations in patient care areas located so they are visible & unobstructed**
   - Handwashing stations should be visible and unobstructed.
   
2. **Handwashing station countertops made of porcelain, stainless steel, solid-surface materials or impervious plastic laminate assembly**
   - Countertops should be made of durable, impervious materials.
   - Substrate for countertops should be marine-grade plywood or equivalent material with impervious seal.

3. **Handwashing station casework designed to prevent storage beneath sink**
   - Casework should be designed to prevent items from being stored beneath the sink.

4. **Provisions for drying hands**
   - Hand-drying devices should not require hands to contact dispensers.
   - Hand-drying devices should be enclosed to protect against dust or soil and to ensure single-unit dispensing.

5. **Liquid or foam soap dispensers**
   - Soap dispensers should be cleanable and wear-resistant.

### 2.1-7.2.2.9 GRAB BARS:

1. **Grab bars anchored to sustain concentrated load 250 pounds**
   - Grab bars should be anchored to withstand concentrated loads.

2. **Grab bars in toilet rooms used by patients of size anchored to sustain concentrated load 800 pounds**
   - Grab bars in toilet rooms should be designed to support the necessary weight.

3. **Ends of grab bars constructed to prevent snagging clothes of patients, staff & visitors**
   - Ends of grab bars should be designed to prevent snagging clothes.

### 2.1-7.2.2.10 HANDRAILS:

1. **Handrails installed on both sides of patient use corridors**
   - Handrails should be installed on both sides of patient corridors.

2. **Rail ends return to wall or floor**
   - Rail ends should return to the wall or floor.

3. **Handrail gripping surfaces & fasteners are smooth (free of sharp or abrasive elements) with 1/8-inch min. radius**
   - Handrail gripping surfaces should be smooth and free of sharp or abrasive elements.

4. **Handrails have eased edges & corners**
   - Handrails should have eased edges and corners.

### 2.1-7.2.2.12 NOISE CONTROL:

1. **Recreation rooms, exercise rooms equipment rooms & similar spaces where impact noises may be generated are not located directly over patient bed areas**
   - Impact noises should not be generated directly over patient bed areas.

2. **Special provisions are made to minimize impact noise**
   - Measures should be taken to minimize impact noise.

### 2.1-7.2.2.14 DECORATIVE WATER FEATURES:

1. **No indoor unsealed water features**
   - Indoor unsealed water features are prohibited.

2. **Covered fish tanks**
   - Fish tanks should be covered and restricted to public areas.

### 2.1-7.2.3 SURFACES

#### 2.1-7.2.3.1 FLOORING & WALL BASES:

1. **Flooring surfaces cleanable & wear-resistant for location**
   - Flooring surfaces should be cleanable and wear-resistant.

2. **Smooth transitions provided between different flooring materials**
   - Transitions between different flooring materials should be smooth.

3. **Flooring surfaces including those on stairways are stable, firm & slip-resistant**
   - Flooring surfaces on stairways should be stable, firm, and slip-resistant.

4. **Floors & wall bases of soiled workrooms, toilet rooms & other areas subject to frequent wet cleaning are constructed of materials that are not physically affected by germicidal or other types of cleaning solutions**
   - Floors and wall bases should be constructed of materials that are not affected by germicidal cleaning solutions.

#### 2.1-7.2.3.2 WALLS & WALL PROTECTION:

1. **Wall finishes are washable**
   - Wall finishes should be washable.

2. **Wall finishes near plumbing fixtures are smooth, scrubbable & water-resistant**
   - Wall finishes near plumbing fixtures should be smooth, scrubbable, and water-resistant.

3. **Wall surfaces in areas routinely subjected to wet spray or splatter (e.g. environmental services rooms) are monolithic or have sealed seams that are tight & smooth**
   - Wall surfaces should be monolithic or have sealed seams.

4. **Wall protection devices & corner guards durable & scrubbable**
   - Wall protection devices and corner guards should be durable and scrubbable.
2.1-7.2.3.3 CEILINGS:
(1) Ceilings provided in all areas except mechanical, electrical & communications equipment rooms
(a) Ceilings cleanable with routine housekeeping equipment
(b) Acoustic & lay-in ceilings where used do not create ledges or crevices

2.1-7.2.4 FURNISHINGS:
2.1-7.2.4.2 Window Treatments in Patient Rooms & Other Patient Care Areas:
(1) blinds, sheers or other patient-controlled window treatments provided to allow for patient privacy & to control light levels & glare
(2) window treatments do not compromise patient safety
(3) window treatments selected for ease of cleaning, disinfection or sanitation

2.1-8.2 HEATING VENTILATION & AIR-CONDITIONING (HVAC) SYSTEMS

Part 3/6.1 UTILITIES:
Part 3/6.1.1 Ventilation Upon Loss of Electrical Power:
- space ventilation & pressure relationship requirements of Tables 7.1 are maintained for ALL Rooms, PE Rooms in event of loss of normal electrical power

Part 3/6.1.2 Heating & Cooling Sources:
Part 3/6.1.2.1 heat sources & essential accessories are provided in number & arrangement sufficient to accommodate facility needs (reserve capacity) even when any one of heat sources or essential accessories is not operating due to breakdown or routine maintenance

Part 3/6.2 AIR-HANDLING UNIT (AHU) DESIGN:
Part 3/6.2.1 AHU casing is designed to prevent water intrusion, resist corrosion & permit access for inspection & maintenance

Part 3/6.3 OUTDOOR AIR INTAKES & EXHAUST DISCHARGES:
Part 3/6.3.1 Outdoor Air Intakes:
Part 3/6.3.1.1 located min. of 25 ft from cooling towers & all exhaust & vent discharges
- outdoor air intakes located such that bottom of air intake is at least 6'-0" above grade
- air intakes located away from public access

Part 3/6.3.1.3 intakes on top of buildings
- check if not included in project
- located with bottom of air intake min. 3'-0" above roof level
| Part 3/6.3.1.4 | ____ intake in areaway  
☐ check if not included in project  
____ bottom of areaway air  
intake opening is at least 6'-0" above grade  
____ bottom of air intake  
opening from areaway into building is at least 3'-0" above bottom of areaway  |
| Part 3/6.2 | Exhaust Discharges for Infectious Exhaust Air:  
☐ check if not included in project  |
| Part 3/6.2.1 | ____ ductwork within building is under negative pressure for exhaust of contaminated air (i.e. air from AII rooms)  
____ exhaust discharge outlets with contaminated air located such that they reduce potential for recirculation of exhausted air back into building  |
| Part 3/6.3.2.2 | ____ exhaust discharge outlets with contaminated air is arranged to discharge to atmosphere in vertical direction at least 10'-0" above adjoining roof level  
____ exhaust discharge outlets from AII rooms is located not less than 25 feet horizontally from outdoor air intakes, openable windows/doors & areas that are normally accessible to public  |
| Part 3/6.4 | FILTRATION:  
____ Two filter banks for inpatient care (see Table 6.4)  
____ Filter Bank No. 1: MERV 7  
____ Filter Bank No. 2: MERV 14  
____ Each filter bank with efficiency of greater than MERV 12 is provided with differential pressure measuring device to indicate when filter needs to be changed  |
| Part 3/6.5 | HEATING & COOLING SYSTEMS:  
Part 3/6.5.3 | ____ Radiant heating systems  
☐ check if not included in project  
____ ceiling or wall panels with exposed cleanable surfaces or radiant floor heating are provided in AII room, PE room & burn unit  |
| Part 3/6.7 | AIR DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS:  
Part 3/6.7.1 | ____ pressure relationships required in tables 7.1 maintained in all modes of HVAC system operation  
____ Spaces that have required pressure relationships are served by fully ducted return systems or fully ducted exhaust systems  
____ Inpatient facilities are served by fully ducted return or exhaust systems  |
| Part 3/6.7.2 | Air Distribution Devices:  
____ supply air outlets comply with Table 6.7.2  |
| Part 3/6.7.3 | Smoke Barriers:  
____ HVAC zones coordinated with compartmentation to minimize ductwork penetrations of fire & smoke barriers.  |
| Part 3/6.8 | ENERGY RECOVERY SYSTEMS:  
☐ check if not included in project  
Part 3/6.8.1 | ____ AII room exhaust systems or combination AII/PE rooms are not used for energy recovery  |
| Part 3/6.8.2 | ____ Energy recovery systems with leakage potential  
☐ check if not included in project  
____ arranged to minimize potential to transfer exhaust air directly back into supply airstream  
____ designed to have no more than 5% of total supply airstream consisting of exhaust air  |
| Part 3/7 | SPACE VENTILATION  
Part 3/7.1.a | ____ Spaces ventilated according to Table 7.1  
Part 3/7.1.a.1 | ____ Air movement is from clean to less-clean areas  |
### Part 3/7.1.a.3
Min. number of total air changes required for positive pressure rooms is provided by total supply airflow
Min. number of total air changes required for negative pressure rooms is provided by total exhaust airflow

### Part 3/7.1a.5
Air recirculation through room unit
☐ check if not included in project
☐ Room unit receive filtered & conditioned outdoor air
☐ Serve only a single space
☐ Provides min. MERV 6 filter located upstream of any cold surface so that all of air passing over cold surface is filtered

### Part 3/7.2 ADDITIONAL ROOM-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:

#### Part 3/7.2.1 Airborne Infection Isolation (AII) Rooms
☐ check if not included in project
☐ AII rooms have permanently installed device and/or mechanism to constantly monitor differential air pressure between room & corridor
☐ Local visual means is provided to indicate whenever negative differential pressure is not maintained
☐ Air from AII room is exhausted directly to outdoors
☐ Exhaust air from AII rooms, associated anterooms & toilet rooms is discharged directly to outdoors without mixing with exhaust air from any other non-AII room or exhaust system

#### Part 3/7.2.1 Exhaust air grille or register in patient room is located directly above patient bed on ceiling or on wall near head of bed

☐ Anteroom
☐ check if not included in project
☐ AII room is at negative pressure with respect to anteroom
☐ Anteroom is at negative pressure with respect to corridor

#### Part 3/7.2.2 Protective Environment (PE) Rooms
☐ check if not included in project
☐ Supply air diffusers are located above patient bed
☐ Exhaust grilles or registers are located near patient room door.

### Part 3/7.2.3 Combination Airborne Infectious Isolation/Protective Environment Room (AII/PE)
☐ check if not included in project
☐ Supply air diffusers are located above patient bed
☐ Exhaust grilles or registers are located near patient room door.
☐ Anteroom
☐ check if not included in project
☐ Anteroom is at positive pressure with respect to both AII/PE room & corridor or common space
☐ Anteroom is at negative pressure with respect to both AII/PE room & corridor or common space
☐ First device monitors pressure differential between AII/PE room & anteroom
☐ Second device monitors pressure differential between anteroom & corridor or common space
☐ Local visual means are provided to indicate whenever differential pressures are not maintained

### 2.1-8.3 ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS

#### 2.1-8.3.2.2 Panelboards:
(1) panelboards serving life safety branch circuits serve floors on which they are located & floors immediately above & below
(2) panelboard critical branch circuits serve floors on which they are located
(3) panelboards not located in exit enclosures or exit passageways

#### 2.1-8.3.3 POWER-GENERATING & -STORING EQUIPMENT

#### 2.1-8.3.3.1 Essential electrical system or
emergency electrical power
(1) essential electrical system complies with NFPA 99
(2) emergency electrical power complies with NFPA 99

2.1-8.3.4 LIGHTING:
2.1-8.3.4.2 Luminares in wet areas have smooth cleanable shatter-resistant lenses & no exposed lamps

2.1-8.3.4.3(1) Reading light for each patient bed
(a) incandescent & halogen light
☐ check if not included in project
light source covered by diffuser or lens
☐ check if not included in project
flexible light arms
 mechanically controlled to prevent lamp from contacting bed linen

2.1-8.3.4.3(2) Patient care unit corridors have general illumination with provisions for reducing light levels at night

2.1-8.3.5 ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT:
2.1-8.3.5.1 Handwashing sinks & scrub sinks that depends on building electrical service for operation are connected to essential electrical system
☐ check if not included in project

2.1-8.3.6 ELECTRICAL RECEPTACLES:
2.1-8.3.6.1 Receptacles In Corridors:
(1) duplex-grounded receptacles for general use installed 50'-0” apart or less in all corridors
duplex-grounded receptacles for general use installed within 25'-0” of corridor ends
(2) receptacles in pediatric & psychiatric unit corridors are of tamper-resistant type

2.1-8.3.6.3 Essential Electrical System Receptacles:
(1) cover plates for electrical receptacles supplied from essential electrical system are distinctively colored or marked for identification
(2) same color is used throughout facility

2.1-8.4 PLUMBING SYSTEMS
2.1-8.4.2 Plumbing & Other Piping Systems:
2.1-8.4.2.1(3) no plumbing piping exposed overhead or on walls where possible accumulation of dust or soil may create cleaning problem

2.1-8.4.2.2 Hemodialysis/Hemoperfusion Water Distribution:
☐ check if not included in project
(1)(a) separate treated water distribution system
(2)(b) outlet at each individual hemodialysis treatment bay
outlet at hemodialysis equipment repair area
outlet at dialysate preparation area
or
(1)(b) dialysis equipment includes sufficient water treatment provisions for use of domestic cold water

2.1-8.4.2.5 Heated Potable Water Distribution Systems:
(2) heated potable water distribution systems serving patient care areas are under constant recirculation
non-recirculated fixture branch piping max. length 25'-0”
(3)(a) no installation of dead-end piping (except for empty risers mains & branches for future use)
(3)(c) any existing dead-end piping is removed
☐ check if not included in project
(3)(b)
(4)(a) water-heating system supplies water at temperatures & amounts indicated in Table 2.1-4
### Drainage Systems:

2.1-8.4.2.6  

- **(1)(a)** Drainage piping installed above ceiling of or exposed in electronic data processing areas & electric closets  
  - check if not included in project  
  - special provisions to protect space below from leakage & condensation

- **(1)(b)** Drip pan for drainage piping above ceiling of sensitive area  
  - check if not included in project  
  - accessible  
  - overflow drain with outlet located in normally occupied area

### Plumbing Fixtures:

2.1-8.4.3  

- **2.1-8.4.3.1(1)** Materials used for plumbing fixtures are non-absorptive & acid-resistant

2.1-8.4.3.2  

- **Handwashing Station Sinks:**
  - designed with basins that will reduce risk of splashing to areas for direct patient care & medication preparation
  - sink basins have nominal size of no less than 144 square inches
  - sink basins have min. dimension 9 inches in width or length
  - sink basins are made of porcelain, stainless steel or solid-surface materials
  - faucet water discharge point min. 10" above bottom of basin
  - anchored so that allowable stresses are not exceeded where vertical or horizontal force of 250 lbs. is applied
  - sinks used by staff, patients, & public have fittings that can be operated without using hands (may be single-lever or wrist blade devices)

- **(a)** Blade handles
  - check if not included in project
  - at least 4 inches in length
  - provide clearance required for operation

- **(b)** Sensor-regulated water fixtures
  - check if not included in project
  - meet user need for temperature & length of time water flows
  - designed to function at all times and during loss of normal power

### Ice-Making Equipment:

2.1-8.4.3.4  

- Copper tubing provided for supply connections to ice-making equipment

### Clinical Flushing-Rim Sinks:

2.1-8.4.3.5  

- check if not included in project

### Bedpan-Rinsing Devices:

2.1-8.4.3.7  

- Bedpan-rinsing devices provided in each inpatient toilet room
- Use cold water only

### Medical Gas & Vacuum Systems:

2.1-8.5.1  

- Station outlets provided as indicated in Table 2.1-3

### Medical Gas & Vacuum Systems:

#### Call Systems

2.1-8.5.1.1  

- Nurse call stations provided as required in Table 2.1-2
- Nurse call systems report to attended location with electronically supervised visual & audible annunciation as indicated in Table 2.1-2
- Call system complies with UL 1069 “Standard for Hospital Signaling & Nurse Call Equipment”
- Wireless nurse call system
  - check if not included in project
  - complies with UL 1069

### Patient Call Stations:

2.1-8.5.1.2  

- each patient sleeping bed except nursery beds provided with patient call station equipped for two-way voice communication  
  (use of dual call station are permitted when beds are located adjacent to each other)

- **(2)(a)** Indicator light that remains lighted as long as voice circuit is operating

- **(2)(b)** Reset switch for canceling call

- **(3)(a)** Visible signal in corridor at patient’s door
  - Multi-Corridor Patient Areas:
  - check if not included in project
  - additional visible signals at corridor intersections
2.1-8.5.1.3 Bath Stations:
   (1) bath station that can be activated by patient lying on floor provided at each patient toilet, bathtub, sitz bath or shower stall
   (2) alarm in these areas can only be turned off at bath station where it was initiated
   (3) shower/tub bath stations located 3'-0" to 4'-0" above floor within view of user & within reach of staff without need to step into shower or tub
   (3) toilet bath stations located on the side of toilets within 12" of front of toilet bowl & 3'-0" to 4'-0" above floor

2.1-8.5.1.5 Emergency call stations are equipped with continuous audible or visual confirmation to person who initiated the code call

2.1-8.6.2 ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS
   ☐ check if not included in project

2.1-8.6.2.2 monitoring devices are located so they are not readily observable by general public or patients

2.1-8.6.2.3 electronic surveillance systems receive power from essential electrical system