

Physical Environment Base Camp

May 12 -14, 2026 | Oakbrook Terrace, IL

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Tuesday, May 12

All times are Central Time

7:00am – 8:00am	Registration and Breakfast
8:00am – 8:05am	Welcome and Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morgyne Brantley, DHA, MPA Education Specialist Global Education, Joint Commission
8:05am – 8:45am	Introduction and Overview of Accreditation 360
8:45am – 9:30am	Overview of Joint Commission Accreditation and Survey Process
9:30am – 10:00am	Break
10:00am – 10:30am	PE.01.01.01 Safe and Adequate Physical Environment
10:30am – 11:30am	PE.02.01.01 Hazardous Materials and Waste
11:30am – 12:30pm	Lunch
	Overview of Accrediting Requirements and Codes Applicability
	Overview of NFPA 101 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Core Occupancy Chapters Occupancy Types and Use <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self-preservation defined Single and Mixed Separations Use vs. Type Fire Response Strategies Fire Protection Features Construction Type Compartmentalization Egress <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Common path of travel, travel distance, and width Arrangement (number and randomness) Locking (exterior doors, delayed, access control, elevator lobby) Stairs Egress Lighting
12:30pm – 2:15pm	
2:15pm – 2:45pm	Break

Tuesday, May 12

2:45pm – 5:00pm	PE.03.01.01 Physical Environment Complies with Life Safety Code for Hospital Occupancy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life Safety Drawings (w/ Example) • SOC/BBI • NFPA 101 Healthcare Occupancy Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Building and Fire Protection Features • NFPA 101 Healthcare Requirements Continued <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Egress ○ Corridors
5:00pm – 6:30pm	Networking Reception <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redstone American Grill (Across the street from Joint Commission Conference Center)

Wednesday, May 13

7:00am – 8:00am	Breakfast
8:00am – 8:15am	Recap of Day 1
8:15am – 10:15am	PE.03.01.01 Physical Environment Complies with Life Safety Code for Hospital Occupancy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NFPA 101 Healthcare Requirements Continued <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Protection from Hazards ○ Fire Alarm Systems ○ Fire Extinguishment ○ Special Provisions ○ Building Services ○ Operating Features
10:15am – 10:30am	Break
10:30am – 11:30am	PE.03.01.01 Occupancy Specific Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NFPA 101 Ambulatory Occupancy Requirements
11:30am – 12:30pm	Lunch
12:30pm – 1:30pm	PE.03.01.01 Occupancy Specific Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NFPA 101 Business Occupancy Requirements
1:30pm – 2:30pm	PE.03.02.01 ILSMs (Interim Life Safety Measures)
2:30pm – 2:45pm	Break
2:45pm – 3:15pm	Corrective Action for NFPA 101 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ESC/ Equivalencies / TLWs / FSES
3:15pm – 5:00pm	PE.04.01.01 NFPA 99 Healthcare Facility Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicable Chapters • Existing vs. New • Medical Gas Systems

Thursday, May 14

7:00am – 8:00am	Breakfast
8:00am – 9:00am	PE.04.01.03 NFPA 99 Healthcare Facility Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emergency Electrical Systems
9:00am – 10:00am	PE.04.01.01 NFPA 99 Healthcare Facility Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ventilation / ASHRAE 170
10:00am – 10:15am	Break
10:15am – 11:15am	PE.04.01.01 Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fire Alarm/Sprinkler Testing Nuclear Medicine Supplies
11:15am – 12:15pm	PE.04.01.01 Electrical and Utility Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inventory/Risk Categorization Power and Lighting Requirements Relocatable Power Taps Electrical Panels Infection Prevention (Kitchen) Alternative Equipment Maintenance Medical Equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inventory/Risk Categorization Sterilizers/Infection Control Equipment Alternative Equipment Maintenance
12:15pm – 1:15pm	Lunch
1:15pm – 1:45pm	PE.04.01.01 Fire Safety for Healthcare Specific Processes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kitchen Fire Safety OR Fire Safety Hyperbaric Fire Safety
1:45pm – 2:15pm	PE.04.01.05 Water Management PE.05.01.01 Imaging Equipment Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance
2:15pm – 2:30pm	Break
2:30pm – 3:30pm	Review NPG Standard Requirements (Non-EM) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Security Risks Workplace Violence Analysis Utility Systems
3:30pm – 4:00pm	Review NPG Standard Requirements (Non-EM) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Radiology Safety/Equipment Testing/Quality Assurance Ligature Risk Evaluation
4:00pm – 5:00pm	Most Commonly Scored Findings

Program Objectives

At the conclusion of this program participants will be able to:

1. Understand the Joint Commission's Accreditation Process.
2. Compare Joint Commission's current survey process with the Environment of Care and Life Safety Chapters for accreditation compliance to Joint Commission's new Physical Environment (PE) Chapter as presented in this program.
3. Implement the Joint Commission's requirements for managing compliance with your organization's compliance program to identify opportunities for improvement.