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William T Fujioka

Chief Executive Officer

## FACILITY EVALUATIONS FOR LOSS PREVENTION AND SAFETY

Approximately five years ago, the Board of Supervisors passed a motion requiring "quarterly evaluations of all County-owned facilities for loss prevention and safety." To assist with that requirement, the Chief Executive Office (CEO) Risk Management Branch developed the attached "Quarterly Facility Self-Inspection Checklist" which focuses on areas with the highest risk potential. As a reminder, inspection records required by Title 8, California Code of Regulations, must be retained for at least one year.

To provide refresher training, we have scheduled a "Facility and Safety Inspections Workshop" for July 11, 2012, at the Department of Health Services' auditorium, located at: 5555 Ferguson Drive, Commerce, CA 90022. Notification of this training session will be provided to all departmental safety and risk management coordinators. Additional training sessions will be conducted as needed or requested.

Additionally, the CEO Risk Management Branch regularly provides consultation, assistance, and training regarding facility evaluations and loss control and prevention issues. For more information and resource materials, please visit the CEO Risk Management Branch intranet site, at: <a href="http://riskmanagement.mylacounty.info/">http://riskmanagement.mylacounty.info/</a>.

Your department's quarterly summary should be submitted to Robert Chavez of the CEO's Loss Control and Prevention Section, by July 31, 2012.

Utilizing e-mail, please provide the following information to Robert Chavez, at rchavez@ceo.lacounty.gov, within 30 days after the end of each guarter:

- 1. Number of department facilities evaluated during the quarter; and
- 2. Number of department facilities not evaluated.

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If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Steven E. NyBlom, Manager, Risk Management Branch, at (213) 738-2214 or <a href="mailto:snyblom@ceo.lacounty.gov">snyblom@ceo.lacounty.gov</a>.

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Inspecto	or:		
Date:			

QUARTERLY FACILITY SELF-INSPECTION CHECKLIST						
	Walkways, Sidewalks, and Parking Areas	Yes	No	N A		
1	Are walkways, sidewalks, and parking areas free from potholes, depressions, displacements, cracks, or other trip hazards, including displacements greater than ½ inch?					
2	Are holes or displacements in the walkways, sidewalks, or parking areas repaired, covered, or otherwise made safe?					
3	Are grates or similar covers over floor openings, such as floor drains, designed that foot traffic or rolling equipment will not be affected by the grate spacing?					
4	Are walkways, sidewalks, and parking areas free of standing oil or unintended wet surfaces?					
5	Are steps on stairs and walkways designed and maintained with slip-resistant surfaces?					
6	Are handrails in place and properly secured?					
7	Are guardrails provided where surfaces are elevated more than 30 inches above any adjacent level or ground?					
8	Are walkways, sidewalks, and parking areas adequately illuminated?					
9	Are all concrete tire stops free from protruding metal anchor rods?					
10	Were any other hazards observed?					

All conditions which result in a "No" answer, or for any reason need further clarification or comment, shall be documented in the following table.

DETAILS & COMMENTS					
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Number	Documentation shall be detailed so as to be self-explanatory to anyone evaluating the report (whether present during inspection or not), and should clearly convey the specifics relevant to the observed condition and location. Attach additional sheets as necessary.				