POLICY:
The University of Wisconsin–Madison Police Department shall provide procedures for Department personnel who may be utilized when the UW Hospital & Clinics (UWHC) Disaster Plan or Multiple Victim Trauma Response Plan is activated. Crisis and disaster events require campuses to not only prepare for such events, but they also require an understanding of response capabilities and limitations. The responsibility of Department personnel at the time the Disaster Plan or Multiple Victim Trauma Response Plan is implemented at the UW Hospital is to monitor and control access to the Hospital as well as provide a person to staff the Hospital command center.

DEFINITIONS:
“Post” refers to a place to which personnel are assigned for duty.

PROCEDURE:
47.1.1 DISASTER OR MULTIPLE VICTIM TRAUMA RESPONSE PROCEDURES
The following outlines procedures for responding to disasters or multiple victim traumas at the UW Hospital:

A. The University of Wisconsin Hospital will implement the Hospital Incident Command System (H.I.C.S.) and open the Incident Command Center (I.C.C.). A hospital administrator will be the Hospital Incident Commander. The U.W.H.C. Incident Commander may request a representative from the Department to staff the command center. This person will serve as a liaison between U.W.H.C. incident command and the Department.
   1. If police resources are deployed to the hospital, a police supervisor or the ranking police officer will be the police officer in charge (O.I.C.).
   2. There may be times when the hospital incident command center is in operation while the police department is operating its own independent incident command. Careful consideration must be given to operating two incident commands due to the potential for confusion. When both command centers are operating, the officer assigned to the H.I.C.S. will use the radio call sign of “Hospital Operations.”

B. The Department Incident Commander or O.I.C. will evaluate the need for police and/or security resources in consultation with the U.W.H.C. Incident Command Center. The police communications operator will notify the manager on call.

C. Responding police resources will be deployed by the Department Incident Commander or O.I.C. UW Police personnel will remain on their posts until released by the Department Incident Commander or O.I.C.

D. All Department personnel assigned to posts will be in uniform or will display appropriate Department identification.