



## UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND MEDICAL CENTER SUSTAINABILITY PRINCIPLES

Recognizing that sustaining a **healthy environment** is essential to maintaining both personal and public health, the University of Maryland Medical Center commits to **promote healthy patients and communities** locally and globally by safeguarding the environment.

The University of Maryland Medical Center provides health care to the community in a safe and healthy manner and fulfills **its obligation to protect and preserve the earth's resources** by seeking innovative ways to **conserve, reduce, reuse and recycle** by its own actions and through partnerships with others.

**Realization of these principles will be achieved by full participation and the sustained commitment of all our employees, medical staff and vendors.**

- 🍃 We will strive to meet or exceed all environmental laws and regulations.
- 🍃 We support and encourage recycling of materials used within the hospital.
- 🍃 We minimize wastage and the use of hazardous materials. We ensure that wastes are disposed of in a safe and responsible manner.
- 🍃 We seek out and use renewable resources and pursue conservation of non-renewable resources through careful planning and cost-effective measures.
- 🍃 We use pollution prevention initiatives to reduce negative environmental impact.
- 🍃 When possible we purchase products which contain recycled materials and are recyclable or reusable.
- 🍃 We will offer sustainable food options for our patients, family members, visitors, and employees.
- 🍃 We will use financial resources well and integrate sustainability criteria into our relationship with suppliers to improve their social and environmental performance.
- 🍃 We will actively participate with government, education, business and the public to encourage environmental values and practices.



Ensure the health and safety of our employees



Act in an ethical and compliant manner



Monitor the environmental impact of operations



Contribute to healthy communities locally and globally



Evaluate the performance of supply chain partners

Go Green.  
Be Green.  
Think Green.

