

Summary of Modifications/Changes in this Update

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DATE OF THIS VERSION:

March 1, 2022

TITLE OF DOCUMENT:

Space Planning Criteria, Chapter 256: Emergency Department (ED)

DATE OF VERSION BEING SUPERSEDED (old):

December 1, 2021

DESCRIPTION OF DOCUMENT (previous title, number, other identifying data):

Space Planning Criteria, Chapter 256: Emergency Department (ED)

SUMMARY OF CHANGES IN THIS VERSION:

1. Section 2 - Definitions: the language of the Definitions standardization has been updated and coordinated across all Chapters for those Definitions that apply to multiple Chapters.
2. Section 3 – Operating Rationale: The Operating Rationale has been updated to reflect a standard approach in defining the Operating Rationale for each Chapter.
3. Section 4 – Input Data Statements (IDS): no change from previous version.
4. Section 5 – Space Criteria: No change made from previous version. No technical changes were made to how the criteria generates space.
5. Section 6 – No change
6. Section 7 – Functional Relationships: minor updates to the matrix structured and relationships were made to provide a common approach to all Space Chapters.
7. Section 8 – Functional Diagram: No change

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October 1, 2016

DESCRIPTION OF DOCUMENT (previous title, number, other identifying data):

Space Planning Criteria, Chapter 256: Emergency Department (ED) and Urgent Care Clinic (UCC)

SUMMARY OF CHANGES IN THIS VERSION:

1. Removed reference to Urgent Care Clinic, which will be developed as Chapter 257 in FY22.
2. Section 2 - Definitions: the language of the Definitions has been standardized across all Chapters for those Definitions that apply to multiple Chapters.
3. Section 3 – Operating Rationale: The Operating Rationale has been updated to reflect a standard approach in defining the Operating Rationale for each Chapter.
4. Section 4 – Input Data Statements (IDS): the number of IDS has been reduced due to a change in process that now pre-determines ranges (smallest to largest) of workload, staffing, and mission.
5. Section 5 – Space Criteria: Format change to criteria statements for each space. All rooms / spaces and criteria statements have been updated to reflect current VHA operations and needs.
6. Section 6 – Completely revised
7. Section 7 – Functional Relationships: the matrix was restructured and relationships reassessed to provide a common approach to all Space Chapters.

8. Section 8 – Functional Diagram: reflect functional relationships of the rooms / spaces in Section 5.

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Space Planning Criteria Chapter for Emergency Department (ED) and Urgent Care Clinic (UCC), Chapter 256.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES IN THIS VERSION:

1. Changes were made to the room codes and net square foot area for the following 'Families' of spaces:
 - Waiting, including Sub-Waiting
 - Reception / Check-in, including Patient Check-in Kiosks
 - Toilets (Patient, Public, and Staff) including Toilet / Shower Rooms
 - Conference Rooms, including Training Rooms

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DESCRIPTION OF DOCUMENT (previous title, number, other identifying data):

New Space Planning Criteria Chapter for Emergency Department (ED) and Urgent Care Clinic (UCC), Chapter 256.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES IN THIS VERSION:

1. This is a new Space Planning Criteria Chapter. Space Criteria for Emergency Services and Urgent Care Centers was previously contained in Chapter 262, "Ambulatory Care – Hospital Based".
2. The net square foot area assignments for offices, consultation rooms, staff workstation, and other staff work areas, throughout the Chapter, reflect Reduce-the-Footprint Space Standards.