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1.0 Policy Statement

Consistent with our vision of providing outstanding health care and support to clients, staff, and the broader community we serve, the St. Joseph's Hamilton Joint Boards of Governors (JBG) will do so in a manner that minimizes undue risk and adverse environmental impacts on health, and the natural environment. The JBG shall, as a minimum, comply with, or when possible exceed all legal and other requirements to which the organization subscribes, through the application of sustainable development principles. We will strive for continual improvement in our environmental performance through pollution prevention, and optimization of energy efficiency in our everyday activities, and implementation of innovative strategies that promote a healthy environment.

2.0 Procedure

- 2.1 Management will set and review annual environmental objectives and targets with the JBG.
- 2.2 The annual objectives and report will be presented at the beginning of the fiscal year .

3.0 Definitions

- 3.1 Pollution Prevention – use of processes, practices, materials, or products that avoid, reduce, or control pollution which may include recycling, treatment, process changes, control mechanisms, efficient use of resources, and material substitution.

4.0 Policy History: March 1st 2016; September 27th 2018; September 29th 2022

5.0 Next Scheduled Review Date: September 2025