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PARTICIPATION COMMENTS FOR THE NOTICE DATED AUGUST 24, 2012
Written comments are to be sent to the above address.

WRITTEN COMMENT DEADLINE: OCTOBER 8, 2012

Date: 5 October 2012

From:

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I/We (do)(do not) agree with:

The Agency proposed modifications As Submitted on Section No. 1224.4.10.2 Ceiling Height

and request that this section or reference provision be recommended:

Approved Disapproved Held for Further Study Approved as Amended

Suggested Revisions to the Text of the Regulations:

1224.4.10.2 Minimum height with fixed ceiling equipment. *Operating rooms, emergency rooms, delivery rooms, radiographic rooms and other rooms containing ceiling-mounted, major fixed equipment or ceiling-mounted surgical light fixtures shall have ceiling heights to accommodate the equipment or fixtures and their normal movement. Suspended tracks, rails and pipes located in the traffic path for patients in beds and/or on stretchers, including those in inpatient service areas, shall be not less than 7 feet (2134 mm) above the floor.*

Exception: Suspended tracks such as those for overhead patient lifts which are mobile and may be moved out of the traffic path shall be not less than 6"-8" above the floor.

Reason:

With the increased use of overhead ceiling lifts for safe patient lifting, this provision to maintain 7' clear may preclude the provision of these lifts in new or existing facilities. Patient lifts use either a single fixed rail or a single fixed upper rail and a mobile lower rail. The mobile rail of an overhead lift may be positioned against a wall and out of the way when not in use. Allowing this rail to meet accessibility height for protruding objects of 80"