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Section 901.2

Question:

Is it the intent of a, "Change in occupancy with no change of occupancy classification" apply to a change in use of an occupancy within the same occupancy classification group?

Answer:

Yes, if the work area method is elected. Section 101.5 of the FBC-EB requires one of three compliance methods be elected. Under the work area method, this change of occupancy without change in occupancy classification would require compliance with FBC-EB section 908.1, which lists in item #8, health care facilities as one of the special occupancies which would require the electrical system to be brought into compliance with the NEC requirements for the new use.

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Commentary:

The prescriptive or performance compliance method may offer an alternative path of compliance.

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