907.2.6.1 Group I-2. Corridors in nursing homes (both intermediate care and skilled nursing facilities), detoxification facilities and spaces open to the corridors shall be equipped with an automatic fire detection system.

Exceptions:

1. Corridor smoke detection is not required where patient sleeping rooms are provided with smoke detectors that comply with UL 268. Such detectors shall provide a visual display on the corridor side of each patient room and shall provide an audible and visual alarm at the nursing station attending each room.

2. Corridor smoke detection is not required where patient room doors are equipped with automatic door-closing devices with integral smoke detectors on the room sides installed in accordance with their listing, provided that the integral detectors perform the required alerting function.

Q: Is an electrically supervised, smoke detection system required throughout a Group I-2 occupancy (hospital)?

A: No. Section 907.2.6.1 contains no requirements specific to a Group I-2 hospital. The provisions do require an automatic fire detection system in corridors and all spaces open to corridors in Group I-2 nursing homes and detoxification facilities. Section 907.2.6 requires installation of electrically supervised, automatic smoke detection systems only in waiting areas that are open to corridors in all Group I occupancies.