Dining/Lounge Area

(b) The total space set aside for dining, recreation and other common use shall not be less than 25 square feet per bed for a nursing facility and 30 square feet per bed for the adult care home portion of a combination facility. Physical therapy, occupational therapy and rehabilitation space shall not be included in this total.

(c) In nursing facilities, included in the total square footage required by Rule .3201(b) of this Section, a separate dining area or areas at a minimum of 10 square feet per bed shall be provided and a separate activity area or areas at a minimum of 10 square feet per bed shall be provided. The remainder of the total required space for dining and activities may be in a separate area or combined with either of the required dining or activity areas.

(d) In combination facilities, included in the total square footage required by Rule .3201(b) of this Section, a separate dining area or areas at 14 square feet per adult care home bed shall be provided. The adult care home dining area or areas may be combined with the nursing facility dining area or areas. A separate activity area or areas for domiciliary beds shall be provided at 16 square feet per domiciliary bed. The adult care home activity area may not be combined with the activity area or areas required for nursing beds.

(e) Dining, activity, and living space shall be designed and equipped to provide accessibility to both patients confined to wheelchairs and ambulatory patients. Required dining, activity, and living areas shall have windows with views to the outside. The glazing material for the windows shall not be less than eight percent of the floor area required for each dining, activity, or living space.

(f) Closets and storage units for equipment and supplies shall not be included as part of the required dining, activity, and living floor space area.

(g) Handicap accessible outdoor areas for individual and group activities shall be provided.

(o) Each nursing unit shall be provided with at least one janitor’s closet. The kitchen area and laundry area each shall have a janitor’s closet. Administration, occupational and physical therapy, recreation, personal care and employee facilities shall be provided janitor’s closets and may share one as a group.

New Construction of Dining/Lounge Area

Summary: Square Feet per Bed; Adult Care Home Bed; Accessibility; Storage