302 GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

302.5 Birds, cats, dogs, and other animals are not permitted in nursing homes, except in the case of seeing eye dogs, and as permitted under section 586.

586 PET THERAPY

586.1 Animals will be allowed to be brought into the nursing home for a short period of time on a limited basis for therapy sessions.

586.2 These therapy sessions must be supervised at all times to see that the patients are not in danger at any time during the session.

586.3 Animals brought into the facility for these sessions should be animals that will present no danger to the patients.

586.4 These sessions shall be sponsored by organizations, groups, or family members that are familiar with the actions and habits of the animals being used in the therapy session.

586.5 Animals used in therapy sessions shall be properly vaccinated, and records of the vaccinations maintained by the facility.

586.6 Pets must be maintained outside the building, and the area in which they are kept must be clean and sprayed on a regular basis to prevent rodents and insects.

901 GENERAL ADMINISTRATION [ALZHEIMER'S SPECIAL CARE UNITS]

...f. Miscellaneous

...2. Birds, cats, dogs, and other animals may be permitted in the Alzheimer’s Special Care Unit. All animals that enter the facility shall have appropriate vaccinations and licenses. A veterinary record shall be kept on all animals to verify vaccinations and be made readily available for review. Pets may not be allowed in food preparation, food storage or dining or serving areas.