26-39-144. Definitions. The following definitions shall apply to all adult care homes except nursing facilities for mental health and intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded.

(a) "Activities director" means an individual who meets at least one of the following requirements:

(1) Has a degree in therapeutic recreation;

(2) is licensed in Kansas as an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant;

(3) has a bachelor's degree in a therapeutic activity field in art therapy, horticultural therapy, music therapy, special education, or a related therapeutic activity field;

(4) is certified as a therapeutic recreation specialist or as an activities professional by a recognized accrediting body;

(5) has two years of experience in a social or recreational program within the last five years, one of which was full-time in an activities program in a health care setting; or

(6) has completed a course approved by the Kansas department of health and environment in resident activities coordination and receives consultation from a therapeutic recreation specialist, an occupational therapist, an occupational therapy assistant, or an individual with a bachelor's degree in art therapy, music therapy, or horticultural therapy.


... (b) Self-determination and participation. The nursing facility shall afford each resident the right to:

(1) Choose activities, schedules, and health care consistent with resident's interests, assessments and care plans;

(2) interact with members of the community both inside and outside the facility; and

(3) make choices about aspects of the resident's life that are significant to the resident.

... (d) Participation in other activities. The nursing facility shall afford each resident the right to:

(1) Participate in social, religious, and community activities that do not interfere with the rights of other residents in the facility; and

(2) reside and receive services in the facility with reasonable accommodation of individual needs and preferences, except when the health or safety of the individual or other residents would be endangered.
(e) Activities.

(1) The facility shall provide an ongoing program of activities designed to meet, in accordance with the comprehensive assessment, the interests of and promote the physical, mental, and psychosocial well-being of each resident.

(2) A qualified activities director shall direct the activities program.

(3) The nursing facility shall employ activities personnel at a minimum weekly average of .09 hours per resident per day.


...(h) Activities room. Each facility shall provide an activities room or area for crafts and occupational therapy.

(1) The room shall contain a work counter with a sink equipped for hand washing.

(2) When a room is used for multiple purposes, there shall be sufficient space to accommodate all activities and prevent interference between activities.

(3) Each facility with 60 or fewer beds shall provide a room with a minimum of 200 square feet. Each facility with more than 60 beds shall provide 200 square feet plus two square feet for each additional bed over 60.

(4) The facility shall provide lockable cabinets for storage of supplies.

(5) Each facility constructed before February 15, 1977 shall provide an activities area with a work counter and storage cabinet. A hand-washing facility shall be accessible to residents who use this room or area.

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