...3. A comprehensive plan of care must be:

... (b) Prepared by an interdisciplinary team that includes the patient’s attending physician, a registered nurse who is responsible for the care of the patient and such other members of the staff of the facility as are appropriate to provide services in accordance with the needs of the patient. To the extent practicable, the patient, his legal representative and members of his family must be allowed to participate in the development of the plan of care.

Rights of Patients

NAC 449.74445 Generally. (NRS 449.037)

...2. In addition to the rights set forth in NRS 449.710 and 449.720, a patient in a skilled nursing facility has the right to:

(a) Receive care in a manner and environment that maintains and enhances each patient's dignity with respect to each patient's individuality.

...(c) Choose his attending physician.

...(e) Participate in decisions relating to his health care, unless he is unable to do so because he is incompetent or incapacitated.

...(g) Privacy in relation to his accommodations, personal care, written and oral communications and meetings with other persons. The provisions of this paragraph do not require a facility for skilled nursing to provide a private room to each patient.

...(k) Share a room with his or her spouse if both spouses reside in the facility and consent to the arrangement.

NAC 449.74457 Policies and procedures for advance directives by patient; information to be furnished regarding physicians. (NRS 449.037)

1. A facility for skilled nursing shall adopt written policies and procedures authorizing the patients in the facility to establish advance directives for their treatment.

2. The policies and procedures must require that written information be given to adult patients concerning their right to accept or refuse treatment and to establish advance directives for their treatment.
3. A facility for skilled nursing shall inform each patient in the facility of the name and specialty of the physician responsible for his care and the manner in which the physician may be contacted.

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Physical Environment

NAC 449.74539 General requirements. (NRS 449.037) A facility for skilled nursing shall:

1. Provide a safe, functional, sanitary and comfortable environment for the patients in the facility, the members of its staff and members of the general public;

2. Care for each patient in the facility in a manner that promotes the dignity of the patient and his quality of life;