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3701-17-18 Food and nutrition.

...B) Each nursing home shall provide at least three nourishing and appetizing meals daily to all residents at regular hours. There shall be at least a four-hour interval of time between the breakfast and noon meal and between the noon and evening meal. There will be no more than sixteen hours between the evening meal and breakfast. Each nursing home shall offer a nourishing snack, consisting of a choice of beverages and a food item from a basic food group, after the evening meal. Food substitutes of similar nutritive value shall be offered to residents who refuse the food served and serving size may be adjusted according to resident preference. The nursing home shall accommodate a resident's preference or medical need to eat at different intervals.

...(G) Safe, fresh, and palatable drinking water shall be accessible for residents at all times.