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NAC 449.262 Provision of dental, optical and hearing care and social services; report of suspected abuse, neglect, isolation or exploitation; restrictions on use of restraints, confinement or sedatives.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Health by R003-97, eff. 10-30-97; A by R073-03, 1-22-2004)

NAC 449.0068 "Services" defined. (NRS 449.037) "Services" means medical or personal care, including necessary preparation of food, laundry and housekeeping in the case of a residential facility and items such as medical diagnosis and treatment, drugs and biologicals, supplies, appliances, equipment, medical-social services and use of a facility.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Health, eff. 8-1-91)

NAC 449.5445 Social services. (NRS 449.037)

1. Each facility shall provide social services to each patient of the facility and to the provider of care for the patient, if required. The facility shall ensure that the social services support and maximize the adjustment, social functioning and rehabilitation of each patient of the facility.

2. The social worker shall:

(a) Conduct a psychosocial evaluation of each patient of the facility;

(b) Participate in a team review of the progress of the patient in accordance with the provisions of NAC 449.541;

(c) Recommend changes in the treatment of the patient based on the psychosocial requirements of the patient

(d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, provide casework and group work services to the patient and, if needed, to members of his family concerning the problems associated with treating end-stage renal disease;

(e) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, identify public agencies that may provide social services for the patient or other resources that are available to the patient and assist the patient and each member of his family in the use of those resources; and

(f) Participate in activities conducted at the facility to ensure the quality of the facility.

3. Each facility shall ensure that the initial contact between the social worker and each patient of the facility occurs and is documented in writing not more than 2 weeks after the patient is admitted to the facility or immediately after the patient receives seven treatments at the facility, whichever occurs later. A comprehensive psychosocial assessment of the patient must be completed within 30 days after the patient is admitted to the facility or immediately after the patient receives 13 treatments at the facility, whichever occurs later.

4. Each facility shall, annually or more often if required by the circumstances concerning the treatment of the patient, revise the comprehensive psychosocial assessment of each patient specified in subsection 3.

5. Each facility shall employ or contract with a social worker to meet the psychosocial requirements of each patient of the facility. If a facility provides treatment for 100 or more patients, the facility shall ensure that one full-time equivalent social worker is available at the facility.

6. Social services must be available at each facility during scheduled periods for treatment. The facility may require a patient to obtain an appointment with a social worker before receiving those services.

7. The provisions of paragraphs (d) and (e) of subsection 2 do not apply to a correctional institution.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Health by R130-99, eff. 8-1-2001)

NAC 449.677 Employees: General requirements. (NRS 449.037)

5. A designated member of the staff who is suited by training or experience must be responsible for arranging social services and for the integration of social services with other elements of the overall plan of care.

NAC 449.713 Program requirements. (NRS 449.037)

1. A facility must maintain arrangements through which medical, dental and remedial services, such as laboratory services or X-ray, required by the resident but not regularly provided within the facility, may be obtained when needed.

2. The facility must provide, according to the needs of each resident, specialized and supportive rehabilitative services either directly or through arrangements with qualified outside resources.

3. These services must be provided under a written plan of care:

(a) Based on the attending physician's orders;

(b) Based on an assessment of the resident's needs;

(c) Which is reviewed regularly, noting a resident's progress; and

(d) Which is altered or revised as necessary.

4. Services must be provided in accordance with accepted professional practices by qualified therapists or by qualified assistants or other supportive personnel under appropriate supervision

5. Areas utilized to provide therapy services must be of sufficient size and appropriate design to accommodate necessary equipment, conduct examinations and provide treatment.

6. The facility must provide social services as needed by the residents either directly or by written arrangement with an outside source. A designated member of the staff who is qualified by training or experience must be responsible for implementing and coordinating social services. A plan for social services must be recorded in the patient's record and must be periodically evaluated in conjunction with the total plan of care for the resident.

7. The facility must provide a program of activities.

8. A plan for independent and group activities must be developed for each resident in accordance with his needs and interests. The program of activities must be incorporated in the overall plan of care for the resident. The program must be reviewed with the participation of the resident at least quarterly and altered as needed.

9. Adequate recreational areas must be provided and sufficient equipment and materials must be available.

[Bd. of Health, Intermediate Care Facilities Reg. §§ 4.1-4.4.2.1, eff. 12-5-75]

NAC 449.737 Plan of care. (NRS 449.037)

5. The facility must provide or arrange for the provision of the services of qualified professionals as indicated in the resident's individualized plan of care. Available services must include, but are not limited to:

(a) Physical and occupational therapy;

(b) Psychological services;

(c) Social services;

(d) Speech pathology and audiology;

(e) Organized recreational activities; and

(f) Physician's services, including:

(1) An annual physical examination; and

(2) Formal arrangements for 24-hour emergency treatment every day of the week.

[Bd. of Health, Intermediate Care Facilities Reg. §§ 16.5-16.7 & 16.14-16.14.6.2, eff. 12-5-75]

NAC 449.74523 Social services. (NRS 449.037)

1. A facility for skilled nursing shall provide medically-related social services that are designed to assist the patients in the facility in enhancing or restoring their ability to function physically, socially and economically.

2. The social services provided must:

(a) Identify and meet the social and emotional needs of each patient in the facility.

(b) Assist each patient and the members of his family in adjusting to the effects of the patient's illness or disability, to his treatment and to his stay in the facility.

(c) Include adequate planning upon the patient's discharge from the facility to ensure that appropriate community and health resources are used.

3. A facility for skilled nursing shall employ full time or under contract an adequate number of social workers and other personnel who are appropriately trained, experienced and qualified to plan, provide and evaluate the social services provided to the patients in the facility. Each social worker employed by the facility must be licensed to engage in social work as a social worker pursuant to chapter 641B of NRS. The facility shall adopt and carry out a plan requiring any social worker employed by the facility who has not completed at least 1 year of training or experience related to providing social services to patients in a facility for skilled nursing to consult with a social worker with such training or experience.

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