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388-97-0001 Definitions.

"Mandated reporter" as used in this chapter means any employee of a nursing home, any health care provider subject to chapter 18.130 RCW, the Uniform Disciplinary Act, and any licensee or operator of a nursing home. Under RCW 74.34.020, mandated reporters also include any employee of the department of social and health services, law enforcement officers, social workers, professional school personnel, individual providers, employees and licensees of boarding home, adult family homes, soldiers' homes, residential habilitation centers, or any other facility licensed by the department, employees of social service, welfare, mental health, adult day health, adult day care, home health, home care, or hospice agencies, county coroners or medical examiners, or Christian Science practitioners.

WAC 388-97-0960 Social services.

The nursing home must:

- (1) Provide medically related social services to attain or maintain the highest practicable physical, mental, and psychosocial well-being of each resident; and
- (2) Employ a qualified social worker on a full-time basis if the nursing home has more than one hundred twenty beds. A qualified social worker is an individual with:
- (a) A bachelor's degree in social work or a bachelor's degree in a human services field including but not limited to sociology, special education, rehabilitation counseling, and psychology; and
- (b) One year of supervised social work experience in a health care setting working directly with patients or residents.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.51.070 and 74.42.620. 00-06-028, § 388-97-08060, filed 2/24/00, effective 3/26/00.]

388-97-3640 Interview space in new construction.

The nursing home must have interview spaces for private interviews relating to social service and admission.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 18.51 and 74.42 RCW and 42 C.F.R. 489.52. 08-20-062, § 388-97-3640, filed 9/24/08, effective 11/1/08.]

WAC 388-97-43030 Offices in new construction.

The nursing home must provide:

(1) Office space convenient to the work area for the administrator, the director of nursing services, medical records staff, social services staff, activities director, and other personnel as appropriate;

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.51.070 and 74.42.620. 00-06-028, § 388-97-43030, filed 2/24/00, effective 3/26/00.]

74.42.010 Definitions.

- (8) "Qualified therapist" means:
- (g) A social worker who is a graduate of a school of social work.

74.42.180 Social services.

- (1) The facility shall provide social services, or arrange for the provision of social services with qualified outside resources, for each resident whose comprehensive plan of care requires the provision of social services.
- (2) The facility shall designate one staff member qualified by training or experience to be responsible for arranging for social services in the facility or with qualified outside resources and integrating social services with other elements of the plan of care.