

**Joint Committee on Administrative Rules**

**ADMINISTRATIVE CODE**

**TITLE 77: PUBLIC HEALTH  
CHAPTER I: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
SUBCHAPTER c: LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES  
PART 300 SKILLED NURSING AND INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES CODE  
SECTION 300.2410 FURNISHINGS**

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- a) Each resident shall be provided with a separate bed suitable to meet the needs of the resident. Each bed shall be at least 36 inches wide, have a headboard, be of sturdy construction and in good repair. A double bed shall be provided for married couples, if they request this arrangement, and there are no medical contraindications.
- b) Each bed shall be provided with satisfactory type springs in good repair and a clean, firm, comfortable mattress of appropriate size for the bed.
- c) Each bedroom shall have window shades, or equivalent, in good repair.
- d) A satisfactory reading lamp, or equivalent, shall be provided for each bed.
- e) Pillows
  - 1) Each bed shall be provided with a minimum of one clean, comfortable pillow.
  - 2) There shall be additional pillows available in the home to satisfactorily serve the needs of the residents.
- f) Each bedroom shall be provided with a mirror, unless there is a mirror in a bathroom opening into this bedroom. Each lavatory shall be provided with a mirror.
- g) Each living room for residents use shall be provided with an adequate number of reading lamps, tables, and chairs or settees. These furnishings shall be well constructed and of satisfactory design for the residents.
- h) Dining room furnishings shall be provided for each resident which are well constructed, comfortable, in good repair, and of satisfactory design for the

residents. There shall be a sufficient number of tables, of a type that can be used by wheelchair residents, to accommodate all such residents in the facility.

- i) Office spaces, nurses' stations, treatment rooms, and other areas shall be satisfactorily furnished with desks, chairs, lamps, cabinets, benches, work tables, and other furnishings essential to the proper use of the area.
- j) For each bed there shall be furnished:
  - 1) A minimum of two adequately sized dresser drawers.
  - 2) A comfortable chair.
  - 3) An individual towel rack.
  - 4) A satisfactory reading light over, or at the side of, the bed.
  - 5) Adequate closet, locker, or wardrobe space for hanging clothing within the room.
  - 6) A satisfactory bedside cabinet.
- k) A sufficient number of tables that can be either rolled over the resident's bed or that can be placed next to bed shall be provided to serve every resident who cannot, or does not, eat in a dining room or area.
- l) Provide proper storage in each resident's room, either within the bedside cabinet or in a separate cabinet, for individual equipment such as an emesis basin, bedpan, urinal, washbasin. Such storage need not be provided in the resident's room if it is satisfactorily provided in a connecting bath or toilet room.

(Source: Amended at 13 Ill. Reg. 4684, effective March 24, 1989)

### **Section 300.2420 Equipment and Supplies**

- a) Equipment
  - 1) The facility shall have a supply of thermometers, emesis basins, ice bags, hot water bottles or equivalent, bedpans, urinals, and sets of enema equipment, sufficient to meet the needs of its residents. (B)
  - 2) If the facility has residents who need the services of a suction machine, a sufficient quantity of such machines shall be provided to meet the needs of all such residents. (B)

- b) Privacy Screens and Curtains
  - 1) There shall be at least one privacy screen available in the facility for emergency use when resident privacy is needed.
  - 2) Each multiple-bed resident room must be designed or equipped to assure full visual privacy for each resident. Full visual privacy means that residents have a means of completely withdrawing from view while occupying their beds (e.g., curtains, movable screens).
- c) There shall be a sufficient supply of clean linen and bedding in good condition to provide proper care and comfort to the residents. (B)
- d) There shall be a first-aid kit or emergency box in every facility. This shall contain bandages, sterile gauze dressing, bandage scissors, tape, sling, burn ointment, and other equipment deemed necessary by the advisory physician or the medical advisory committee.
- e) Activity program supplies shall be provided to maintain an ongoing program to meet the varied interests and needs of the residents. These shall include, but are not limited to, games, craft supplies, current magazines, books, radio, television, and record player. A piano or organ is recommended as an important adjunct to the activity program equipment.
- f) Kitchen equipment shall be provided as set forth in Section 300.2100.
- g) Cleaning equipment and supplies shall be provided as set forth in Sections 300.2210 through 300.2220.
- h) Each resident shall have a satisfactory nurse call device. (See Sections 300.2940(g) and 300.3140(e).)
- i) There shall be special equipment, implements, or utensils provided to residents as needed to assist them when eating.
- j) There shall be a sufficient quantity of resident care equipment of satisfactory design and in good condition to carry out established resident care procedures. This shall include at a minimum the following: wheelchairs with brakes, walkers, metal bedside rails, bedpans, urinals, emesis basins, wash basins, footstools, metal commodes, over the lap tables, foot cradles, footboards, under the mattress bed boards, trapeze frames, transfer boards, parallel bars and reciprocal pulleys.

(Source: Amended at 16 Ill. Reg. 5977, effective March 27, 1992)

## **Section 300.2430 Sterilization of Equipment and Supplies**

- a) Every facility shall follow an acceptable plan to provide for sterile equipment and supplies, such as needles, syringes, catheters, and dressing. There shall be an autoclave available for sterilizing this type of equipment and supplies. The autoclave should be located in a central sterilization area, or clean utility area. It may be located at the nurses' station. An autoclave will not be required in a facility when other acceptable arrangements have been made, such as: (A, B)
  - 1) Use of individually wrapped sterile dressings, disposable syringes, needles, catheters, and gloves which shall be disposed of after a single use.
  - 2) Formal plan with another facility for the autoclaving of equipment and supplies.
  - 3) Other alternative methods when approved on an individual basis in writing from the Department based on a written request from the facility giving in detail the method proposed to be used and which method meets equivalent criteria for proper sterilization for these items to be sterilized.
  
- b) Every facility shall sanitize bed pans, urinals, wash basins, emesis basins, enema equipment, and similar patient care utensils as follows:
  - 1) Individual bed pans, urinals, wash basins, and similar equipment shall be washed and rinsed after each use, and be sanitized at least weekly. If individual equipment is not provided, the equipment shall be washed, rinsed, and sanitized after each use. (B)
  - 2) Utensils shall be pre-flushed prior to washing. Utensils shall be washed in a hot detergent solution that is maintained clean. After washing, utensils shall be rinsed free of detergents with clean water.
  - 3) Utensils shall be sanitized, either mechanically or manually, through the use of steam, hot water, or chemicals approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and formulated for the sanitization of patient care utensils. Chemical sanitizers shall be used in accordance with label instructions.
  - 4) Patient care utensils sanitization shall be completed in the soiled utility room. (B)

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