411-085-0220
Quality Assurance

(1) QUALITY ASSESSMENT AND ASSURANCE COMMITTEE. Each facility must have a Quality Assessment and Assurance Committee. The committee must include the administrator, medical director, Director of Nursing Services (DNS), consulting pharmacist and at least one other facility staff person. The committee must:

(d) Ensure that an infection control program as identified in OAR 411-086-0330 is conducted

(3) RESPONSIBILITY.

(a) The DNS shall have written administrative authority, responsibility, and accountability for assuring functions and activities of the nursing services department. The DNS shall participate in the development of any facility policies that affect the nursing services department (OAR 411-085-0210). The DNS shall organize and direct the nursing service department to include as a minimum:

(G) Participate with the facility administrator and other department directors in development and maintenance of practices and procedures that promote infection control, fire safety, and hazard reduction;

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Infection Control and Universal Precautions

(1) INFECTION CONTROL.

(a) The Quality Assurance and Assessment Committee shall establish, maintain and enforce an infection control program, including universal precautions and isolation procedures, which assures protection of residents and staff from infections.

(b) The committee shall meet quarterly and as needed to review facility policies, procedures, and monitor staff performance relative to infection control. These meetings and the results thereof shall be documented.

(c) In reviewing and developing facility infection control policies and procedures, the committee shall consider all guidelines relative to infection control issued by the Division and by the Centers for Disease Control, Atlanta, Georgia. NOTE: Copies available through National Technical Information Service, 1-703-487-4650.

(2) SIMULTANEOUS DUTIES. Personnel shall not be simultaneously responsible for duties which are incompatible with sanitation. This includes prohibiting personnel from being assigned to both resident care and work in the kitchen, laundry, or housekeeping. This also prohibits personnel from having responsibility for work in the kitchen combined with laundry, housekeeping or other such conflicting tasks.

(3) COMMUNICABLE DISEASE. Each nursing facility shall maintain compliance with the Health Division rules for communicable disease, including rules relating to tuberculosis examinations for facility personnel and residents.

(4) SOILED LAUNDRY. Soiled linen, toweling, clothing, and sickroom equipment shall not be sorted, laundered, rinsed, or stored in bathroom, kitchen, resident rooms or clean utility areas. Soiled linen, toweling and clothing shall be stored in a separate, ventilated room. Soiled clothing shall be washed separately from soiled linen. Soiled laundry must be transported and stored in a covered container impervious to moisture.
WASTE DISPOSAL. All garbage, refuse, soiled surgical dressings and other similar wastes shall be disposed of in a manner that will not create a nuisance or a public health hazard and which is consistent with the State Health Division's rules for infectious waste (OAR Chapter 333, Division 018). When community garbage collections and disposal service are not available, garbage and refuse shall be disposed of by some other equally effective and sanitary manner approved by the local health officer.

(6) CLEAN LINEN STORAGE. All clean linen shall be stored in clean storage rooms or cupboards easily accessible to nursing personnel. Laundry carts used for storing clean linen shall be kept covered when not in use.

Dining Assistant Training Curriculum

8. Infection Control.
   a. Standard Precautions
   b. Proper glove use (when and how to use)
   c. Food sanitation
   d. How infections spread
   e. Reporting of open wounds or illness

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Resident Care Unit

Each resident care unit shall provide the following:

(2) Isolation Room. Each facility shall have at least one resident room capable of being designated as an isolation room which is equipped with a private toilet and handwash sink (see Table 2).