Resident Bedroom

(1) Patient beds shall be single, at least thirty-six inches wide, with firm even springs covered by a mattress not less than four inches thick.

(2) The home shall provide all linens and blankets essential to the treatment and comfort of patients.

(4) Each patient shall have necessary furniture which shall include a bedside table, a reading lamp, a chair, drawer space for clothes, enclosed space for hanging clothing, and individual towel rack, soap dish, drinking glass, and access to a mirror. Each patient shall have a suitable signaling device.

(7) Bedrails shall be available for use as required by the patient’s condition.

(5) Doors to rooms used by patients shall be equipped with locks or other devices which will not allow the room to be locked from the inside.

(2) At least two rooms per fifty (50) beds shall be designed for single occupancy (one bed). At least one room designed for single occupancy shall have an adjoining private bathroom, containing a lavatory, water closet and a bathtub or shower equipped with grab bars.

(3) All patient rooms shall open into corridors leading to the exterior of the building. No patient room will be so located as to make it necessary for a patient to pass through another room to gain entrance to a corridor leading to the exterior.

(4) Each patient room shall be an outside room with window space equal to at least one-eighth of the floor area with opening in area large enough to remove patient by mattress.

(5) Patient bedrooms shall contain not less than one hundred (100) square feet of usable floor space in private or single rooms and no less than eighty (80) square feet per bed of usable floor space in multi-bed rooms. Usable floor space is in addition to area provided for closets, toilet rooms and entry ways.

(6) Not less than three (3) feet of space shall be provided between beds and between the foot of the bed and wall or other obstruction. There shall be sufficient space so beds may be made accessible from both sides for nursing care when needed.

(7) An individual clothes closet or wardrobe with door shall be provided per bed in every patient room. Clothes closets or wardrobes shall be at least twenty-two (22) inches deep and twenty (20) inches wide with at least one shelf above a hanging space equipped with a device for clothes hangers.

(8) Each patient room having more than one bed shall have permanently installed curtain tracks to permit closing each bed with curtains to allow for the privacy of each patient without obstructing the passage of other patients either to the corridor or to the toilet or lavatory adjacent to the patient room. Curtains used for enclosing patient beds shall be rendered and maintained flame resistant.
(d) Patient bedrooms.

(1) Each room shall be at or above grade level.

(2) Windows in each habitable room shall have adequate means of ensuring privacy.

(3) Patient bedrooms shall have not more than four beds.

(4) Single patient rooms shall measure at least one hundred square feet of usable space, excluding closets, bathrooms, alcoves, and entryways.

(5) Multi-patient rooms shall provide a minimum of eighty square feet per bed of usable space, excluding closets, bathrooms, alcoves, and entryways.

(6) Bedside screens or curtains shall be provided in multi-bed rooms to ensure privacy for each patient.

(7) Beds shall be placed at least three feet apart and three feet from the wall at the side of the bed.

(8) Each patient shall be provided with:
(A) A separate bed of proper size and height for the convenience of the patient and permitting an individual in a wheelchair to get in and out of bed unassisted.
(B) A comfortable mattress with permeable mattress cover, and a pillow with an impermeable cover.
(C) Sufficient clean bed linen and blankets to meet the patient's needs.
(D) Appropriate furniture, cabinets and closets, accessible to and usable by the physically handicapped. Locked containers shall be available upon patient’s request.
(E) An effective signal call system at the patient’s bedside.

(e) Ramps must be designed to permit use by patients in wheelchairs. Ramps shall meet the provisions of the Uniform Building Code 1979 and its revisions, as it existed on October 1, 1983.

(g) Windows and lighting.

(1) Each bedroom shall have at least one outside window.

(2) A habitable room shall have an aggregate window area of not less than one-tenth of the gross floor area.

(3) Patient’s rooms shall have artificial light adequate for reading at bedside.

(4) There shall be night lighting in patient’s rooms, toilets, and service areas.

(5) In rooms containing wheelchair patients, at least one window shall be low enough to permit outdoor viewing by the wheelchair-bound patient.

(h) Where appropriate, screening of doors and windows shall be provided, using screening having sixteen meshes per inch.

Toilet Area

(c) Toilet and bath facilities.

(1) One toilet room shall serve not more than eight patients.

(2) The toilet room shall contain a toilet and lavatory. The washbasin may be omitted from a toilet
room which serves single and multi-bed rooms if each such patient's room contains a lavatory.

(6) Separate toilet and bathing facilities for each sex, except where couples occupy a semi-private room with a bathroom, shall be provided.

(9) Where bedpans are used, equipment for their care shall be provided in an appropriate area of the facility. Where toilets adjoin patient’s bedroom and are used for bedpan cleaning, they shall be equipped with bedpan flushing attachments with vacuum breakers.

(11) Separate toilet facilities shall be provided for the use of patients and personnel.

(6) Each patient shall be provided adequate supplies and equipment for proper oral hygiene including a toothbrush or a denture brush and denture receptacle when needed.

**New Construction: Room and Bath**

**Summary:** Bed Size and Thickness Minimum; Linens and Equipment to be Provided; Minimum Furnishings and Personal Care Items Specified; Single Occupancy Rooms; Bedrails; Mirror; Minimum Room Size; Space Between Beds; Flame Resistant Curtains; No Public or Staff Use of Resident Water Closets; Windows; Privacy Curtains; Toilets per Resident; Personal Supplies