

Kansas Administrative Regulations

Department of Health and Environment

Article 39.—Licensure of Adult Care Homes

28-39-255. Support service areas.

(a) The assisted living or residential health care facility shall provide the following:

(1) Space with a desk and telephone which can be used by direct care staff to chart and maintain resident records; and

(2) a locked medication storage area with a sink and a refrigerator in the same area for medications. The facility shall provide a separate locked compartment within the area for controlled drugs. A drug cart with a double locking system shall be acceptable. The facility shall provide storage for necessary medical supplies.

(b) Housekeeping and sanitation.

(1) The facility shall provide a locked janitor closet for storing supplies and equipment, with a floor or service sink.

(2) The facility shall provide space for storage of clean linen if linen service is included in the negotiated service agreements.

(c) Laundry facility.

(1) The facility shall store soiled laundry in a manner which prevents odors and spread of disease.

(2) If laundry is processed in the facility, the facility shall provide washing and drying machines. The facility shall arrange the work area to provide a "one-way flow" of laundry from a soiled area to a clean area.

(3) The facility shall provide a work counter and a locked cabinet for storage of chemicals and supplies.

(4) The facility shall provide a handwashing lavatory with a non-reusable method of hand-drying within or accessible to the laundry facility.

(d) Dietary areas. A dietary area or areas shall provide for sanitary meal preparation or service for residents.

(1) The facility shall provide disposal of waste by incineration, mechanical destruction, removal or a combination of these. The facility shall use containers with tightly fitting lids to store waste.

(2) Ceilings in the dietary areas shall be cleanable by dustless methods, such as vacuum cleaning or wet cleaning. These areas shall not have exposed or unprotected sewer lines.

(e) Assisted living or residential health care facilities which are physically attached to a nursing facility may share support areas with the nursing facility.

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