Kansas Administrative Regulations

Department of Health and Environment

Article 4.—Maternal and Child Health—Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities (PRTF).

28-4-1214. Emergency plan; drills; facility security and control of residents; storage and use of hazardous substances and unsafe items.

(a) Emergency plan. Each licensee shall develop an emergency plan to provide for the safety of all residents in emergencies, including fires, tornadoes, storms, floods, and serious injuries. The licensee shall review the plan at least annually and update it as needed.

(1) The emergency plan shall contain provisions for the care of residents in emergencies.

(2) Each licensee that permits the use of seclusion shall have a policy and procedure to evacuate each resident in seclusion if an emergency occurs.

(3) All of the staff members in the PRTF shall be informed of the emergency plan, which shall be posted in a prominent location.

(b) Fire and tornado drills. The PRTF staff shall conduct at least one fire drill and one tornado drill during each shift during each quarter. Drills shall be planned to allow participation by the residents in at least one fire drill and at least one tornado drill during each quarter.

(c) Facility security and control of residents. Each licensee shall develop and implement written policies and procedures that include the use of a combination of supervision, inspection, and accountability to promote safe and orderly operations. The policies and procedures shall prohibit the use of mace, pepper spray, and other chemical agents.

(1) All written policies and procedures for facility security and the control of residents shall be available to all staff members. Each licensee shall review the policies and procedures at least annually, update them as needed, and ensure that all of the

requirements are met. These policies and procedures shall include all of the following requirements:

(A) Written operational shift assignments shall state the duties and responsibilities for each assigned position in the PRTF.

(B) Supervisory staff shall maintain a permanent log and prepare shift reports that record routine and emergency situations.

(C) All security devices, including locking mechanisms on doors and any delayed-exit mechanisms on doors, shall have current written approval from the state fire marshal and shall be regularly inspected and maintained, with any corrective action completed as necessary and recorded.

(D) No resident shall have access to any ammunition or weapons, including firearms and air-powered guns. If a licensee prohibits carrying a concealed weapon on the premises of the PRTF, the licensee shall post notice pursuant to K.S.A. 75-7c11, and amendments thereto.

(E) Procedures shall be developed and implemented for the control and use of keys, tools, medical supplies, and culinary equipment.

(F) No resident or group of residents shall exercise control or authority over another resident, have access to the records of another resident, or have access to or the use of keys that control security.

(G) Procedures shall be developed and implemented for knowing the whereabouts of all residents at all times and for handling runaways and unauthorized absences.

(H) Safety and security precautions pertaining to the PRTF and any staff vehicles used to transport residents shall be developed and implemented.

(2) Each licensee shall ensure the development of policies and procedures that govern documentation of all incidents, including riots, the taking of hostages, and the use of restraint.

(A) The policies and procedures shall require submission of a written report of all incidents to the program director no later than the conclusion of that shift. A copy of the report shall be kept in the record of each resident involved in the incident.

(B) Reports of incidents shall be made to document compliance with K.A.R. 28-4-1209.

(3) A written plan shall provide for continuing operations if a work stoppage occurs. A copy of this plan shall be available to each staff member.

(d) Storage and use of hazardous substances and unsafe items.

(1) No resident shall have unsupervised access to poisons, hazardous substances, or flammable materials. These items shall be kept in locked storage when not in use.

(2) Each licensee shall develop and implement policies and procedures for the safe and sanitary storage and distribution of personal care and hygiene items. The following items shall be stored in an area that is either locked or under the control of staff:

(A) Aerosols;

(B) alcohol-based products;

(C) any products in glass containers; and

(D) razors, blades, and any other sharp items.

(3) Each licensee shall develop and implement policies and procedures for the safe storage and disposal of prescription and nonprescription medications. All prescription and nonprescription medications shall be stored in a locked cabinet located in a designated staff-accessible and supervised area. All refrigerated medications shall be stored under all food items in a locked refrigerator, in a refrigerator in a locked room, or in a locked medicine box in a refrigerator. Medications taken internally shall be kept separate from other medications. All unused medications shall be accounted for and disposed of in a safe manner, including being returned to the pharmacy, transferred with the resident, or safely discarded.

(4) Each PRTF shall have first-aid supplies, which shall be stored in a locked cabinet located in a staff-accessible and supervised area. First-aid supplies shall include the following:

(A) Assorted adhesive strip bandages;

(B) adhesive tape;

(C) a roll of gauze;

(D) scissors;

(E) a package of gauze squares;

(F) liquid soap;

(G) an elastic bandage;

(H) tweezers;

(I) rubbing alcohol; and

(J) disposable nonporous gloves in assorted sizes.

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