

§ 52.190

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§ 52.190 Infection control.

The program management must establish and maintain an infection control program designed to prevent the development and transmission of disease and infection.

(a) *Infection control program.* The program management must—

(1) Investigate, control, and prevent infections in the program participants and staff; and

(2) Maintain a record of incidents and corrective actions related to infections.

(b) *Preventing spread of infection.* (1) The program management must prevent participants or staff with a communicable disease or infected skin lesions from attending the adult day health care program if direct contact will transmit the disease.

(2) The program management must require staff to wash their hands after each direct participant contact for which hand washing is indicated by accepted professional practice.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 101, 501, 1741–1743)

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§ 52.200 Physical environment.

The physical environment must be designed, constructed, equipped, and maintained to protect the health and safety of participants, personnel and the public.

(a) *Life safety from fire.* The facility must meet the applicable provisions of the National Fire Protection Association's NFPA 101, Life Safety Code, 2000 edition. Incorporation by reference this document was approved by the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. The document incorporated by reference is available for inspection at the Department of Veterans Affairs, Office of Regulations Management (02D), Room 1154, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420 or at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202–741–6030, or go to: http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal_regulations/

ibr_locations.html. Copies may be obtained from the National Fire Protection Association, Battery March Park, Quincy, MA 02269. (For ordering information, call toll-free 1-800-344-3555.)

(b) *Space and equipment.* (1) Program management must—

(i) Provide sufficient space and equipment in dining, health services, recreation, and program areas to enable staff to provide participants with needed services as required by these standards and as identified in each participant's plan of care; and

(ii) Maintain all essential mechanical, electrical, and patient care equipment in safe operating condition.

(2) Each adult day health care program, when it is co-located in a nursing home, domiciliary, or other care facility, must have its own separate designated space during operational hours.

(3) The indoor space for an adult day health care program must be at least 100 square feet per participant including office space for staff and must be 60 square feet per participant excluding office space for staff.

(4) Each program will need to design and partition its space to meet its own needs, but a minimal number of functional areas must be available. These include:

(i) A dividable multipurpose room or area for group activities, including dining, with adequate table-setting space.

(ii) Rehabilitation rooms or an area for individual and group treatments for occupational therapy, physical therapy, and other treatment modalities.

(iii) A kitchen area for refrigerated food storage, the preparation of meals and/or training participants in activities of daily living.

(iv) An examination and/or medication room.

(v) A quiet room (with at least one bed), which functions to isolate participants who become ill or disruptive, or who require rest, privacy, or observation, must include a bed. It should be separate from activity areas, near a restroom, and supervised.

(vi) Bathing facilities adequate to facilitate bathing of participants with functional impairments.

(vii) Toilet facilities and bathrooms easily accessible to people with mobility problems, including participants in