

00-1(101), issued by the Standards Council of the National Fire Protection Association on April 15, 2004. The Director of the Office of the Federal Register has approved NFPA Temporary Interim Amendment 00-1(101) for incorporation by reference in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. A copy of the amendment is available for inspection at the CMS Information Resource Center, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD and at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC. Copies may be obtained from the National Fire Protection Association, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02269. If any additional changes are made to this amendment, CMS will publish notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER to announce the changes.

(c) *Emergency and disaster preparedness*—(1) *Procedures*. The PACE organization must establish, implement, and maintain documented procedures to manage medical and nonmedical emergencies and disasters that are likely to threaten the health or safety of the participants, staff, or the public.

(2) *Emergencies defined*. Emergencies include, but are not limited, to the following:

- (i) Fire.
- (ii) Equipment, water, or power failure.
- (iii) Care-related emergencies.

(iv) Natural disasters likely to occur in the organization's geographic area. (An organization is not required to develop emergency plans for natural disasters that typically do not affect its geographic location.)

(3) *Emergency training*. A PACE organization must provide appropriate training and periodic orientation to all staff (employees and contractors) and participants to ensure that staff demonstrate a knowledge of emergency procedures, including informing participants what to do, where to go, and whom to contact in case of an emergency.

(4) *Availability of emergency equipment*. Emergency equipment, including easily portable oxygen, airways, suction, and emergency drugs, along with staff who know how to use the equipment, must be on the premises of every center at all times and be immediately available.

The organization must have a documented plan to obtain emergency medical assistance from sources outside the center when needed.

(5) *Annual test of emergency and disaster plan*. At least annually, a PACE organization must actually test, evaluate, and document the effectiveness of its emergency and disaster plans.

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§ 460.74 Infection control.

(a) *Standard procedures*. The PACE organization must follow accepted policies and standard procedures with respect to infection control, including at least the standard precautions developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

(b) *Infection control plan*. The PACE organization must establish, implement, and maintain a documented infection control plan that meets the following requirements:

- (1) Ensures a safe and sanitary environment.
- (2) Prevents and controls the transmission of disease and infection.

(c) *Contents of infection control plan*. The infection control plan must include, but is not limited to, the following:

(1) Procedures to identify, investigate, control, and prevent infections in every center and in each participant's place of residence.

(2) Procedures to record any incidents of infection.

(3) Procedures to analyze the incidents of infection to identify trends and develop corrective actions related to the reduction of future incidents.

§ 460.76 Transportation services.

(a) *Safety, accessibility, and equipment*. A PACE organization's transportation services must be safe, accessible, and equipped to meet the needs of the participant population.

(b) *Maintenance of vehicles*. (1) If the PACE organization owns, rents, or leases transportation vehicles, it must maintain these vehicles in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

(2) If a contractor provides transportation services, the PACE organization