

WAC 246-337-110

Use of seclusion and restraint.

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(13) The licensee must ensure that restraint and seclusion is carried out in a safe environment. Every licensee must:

(a) Perform a risk assessment that identifies risks in the physical environment to residents, staff and the public when any level of restraint or seclusion is carried out.

(b) Identify location(s) in the facility where restraint ~~and or~~ seclusion are performed.

(c) Ensure that risks in the physical environment are mitigated as appropriate to the type of seclusion ~~and or~~ restraint used and the planned population.

(d) Ensure that restraint and seclusion rooms are constructed per 246-337-YYY.

(14) Any facility that accepts residents who are involuntarily committed must have a minimum of one ~~restraint and~~ seclusion room for seclusion or temporary holding of residents awaiting transfer. ~~This room may be used for multiple purposes but must be equipped to allow immediate use.~~

This room must:

(a) Be designed to minimize potential for stimulation, escape, hiding, injury, or death;

(b) Have a maximum capacity of one resident;

(c) Have a door that opens outward;

(d) Have a staff controlled, lockable, adjoining toilet room;

(e) Have a minimum of three feet of clear space on three sides of the bed; and

(f) Have negative pressure with an independent exhaust system with the exhaust fan at the discharge end of the system.

(1415) Restraint equipment must be clean and in good repair.

246-337-YYY

Restraint and Seclusion room

The licensee must ensure that each ~~restraint and~~ seclusion room:

(1) Be designed to minimize potential for stimulation, escape, hiding, injury, or death, including:

(a) Walls, ceiling and floors shall be designed to resist impact forces;

(b) Ceilings shall be monolithic without joints or crevices or shall be a minimum of nine feet high;

(c) All permanent building fixtures and details in the room shall be designed to prevent injury to the residents or staff.

(d) Electrical switches and receptacles are prohibited within the room.

(2) Has a maximum capacity of one resident;

(3) Be located and designed to permit visual and audible observation of the resident by direct or electronic means.

(4) Be designed to facilitate entrance, transfer and containment of resident, including:

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Comment [WJ(1): Instead, we could say "secure detoxification and evaluation and treatment". The logic is that any facility who has the potential of using a seclusion room for de-escalation –or- for temporary holding prior to transfer to a facility, should have access to a room rather than using physical or chemical restraints.

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(a) Have a door that opens outward into a vestibule or controlled area away from the generally populated areas;

(b) Have a staff-controlled, lockable, toilet room that adjoins either the treatment room or vestibule;

(5) Provide appropriate space for the level of treatment being provided, including:

(a) Have a minimum of 60 square feet for seclusion

(b) Have a minimum of 80 square feet ~~if the room is also used for restraining patients~~ ~~for~~ ~~restrain~~

(c) If a bed is provided, have a minimum of three feet of clear space on three sides of the bed.

(6) Have negative air pressure with all air exhausted to the exterior of the building with the exhaust fan at the discharge end of the system.

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