

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AUDIT (RESIDENT CARE AREA)

Information in this audit tool was used in part from the Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Facility Self-Assessment, Mock Survey Tool (Updated June 2018)

ENVIRONMENTAL AUDIT	YES	NO	NOT OBSERVED	COMMENTS
Resident rooms, hallways, and common areas are odor free				
Resident rooms, hallways, and common areas are clean				
Resident belongings are managed to avoid excessive clutter including storage of boxes/storage containers on the floor				
Cords and equipment in resident rooms are managed to avoid tripping hazards				
Functional call lights are within reach of the resident				
Any over the counter drugs stored in the resident's room are appropriately labeled and stored				
Resident bathrooms/showers are clean and in good repair, including handrails/grab bars and flooring				
Bed linens, towels and washcloths are available, in good condition and clean				
Personal items are clearly marked and not co-mingled (e.g., toothbrushes)				

Comfortable and safe temperatures are maintained between 71° and 81° in resident rooms, hallways and common areas				
Comfortable noise and sound levels are maintained				
Housekeeping/environmental service carts and closets are appropriately secured				
Medication and treatment closets and carts are appropriately stored and secured				
The medication storage area/room is orderly with medications properly stored, narcotics properly secured, and outdated/expired medications properly disposed				
Hand sanitizer is readily available in designated locations				
Sharp disposal containers are appropriately maintained				
Personal Protective Equipment is readily available				
Maintenance storage/closets, electrical storage/closets and other potentially hazardous areas are secured				
Spa/Shower Rooms are clean and chemicals/cleaning supplies are appropriately secured. Shower rooms are secured when not in use.				
Resident care equipment (e.g., lifts, IV pumps and poles) are clean and in safe operating condition				
Tube feedings and IV solutions are labeled				
Resident confidentiality/privacy is maintained (electronic, communication, and during cares)				

Hallways are free of storage, resident care/service carts (e.g., medication carts, dirty linen containers) are maintained in hallways only during use				
Exits are clearly marked and maintained free of clutter				
The electronic monitoring system is checked for appropriate functioning (e.g., resident monitoring bracelets are checked for placement every shift and functioning is verified and documented daily. Door alarms are checked at least weekly)				
Exit door alarms are functioning appropriately				

Person Completing the Audit: _____ Date: _____

Action:

Follow-Up:

Source – Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Facility Self-Assessment, Mock Survey Tool (Updated June 2018) One source for the form - <https://nursinghomehelp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Section-5-After-the-Survey.pdf>

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