

Administrator Alert

Policy updates & rule clarifications for Assisted Living, Residential Care & Nursing Facilities

Office of Licensing & Quality — Oregon Department of Human Services

October 1, 2009

Revised Nursing Facility Rules – Emergency Preparedness and Smokefree Workplace Compliance

The Department of Human Services, Seniors and People with Disabilities Division is permanently amending:

- OAR 411-086-0320 to implement House Bill 2371 (2007) by strengthening emergency and disaster planning for nursing facilities by aligning the rule with related state and federal regulations and requiring comprehensive emergency planning and preparedness to assure the provision of essential services to nursing facility residents in the event of an emergency or disaster; and
- OAR 411-086-0350 to reflect that nursing facilities must comply with the 2007 Smokefree Workplace Law (Oregon Laws 2007, Chapter 602) that became effective on January 1, 2009.

The effective date of the permanent rulemaking is October 1, 2009.

Copies of SPD's complete Oregon Administrative Rules may be accessed at:

www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/spd/alpha.htm (alpha); or
www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/spd/numeric.htm (numeric).

If you need clarification on these rules, please contact David Allm at 503-945-6407 or david.c.allm@state.or.us



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