



ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA

37.106.2879 INCONTINENCE CARE: CATEGORY B

- (1) In order to maintain normal bladder and bowel functions, the facility shall provide individualized attention to each resident that meets the following minimum standards:
 - (a) the facility shall provide a resident who is incontinent of bowel or bladder adequate personal care services to maintain the person's skin integrity, hygiene and dignity and to prevent urinary tract infections.
- (2) Evidence that the facility is meeting each resident's needs for maintaining normal bowel and bladder functions include the following outcomes for residents at risk for incontinence:
 - (a) the resident is checked during those periods when they are known to be incontinent, including the night;
 - (b) the resident is kept clean and dry;
 - (c) clean and dry bed linens are provided as needed; and
 - (d) if the resident can benefit from scheduled toileting, they are assisted or reminded to go to the bathroom at regular intervals.
- (3) Indwelling catheters are permissible, if the catheter care is taught and supervised by a licensed health care professional under a practitioner's order. Observations and care must be documented.
- (4) Facility staff shall not:
 - (a) withhold fluids from a resident to control incontinence; or
 - (b) have a resident catheterized to control incontinence for the convenience of staff.

Authorizing statute(s): Sec. 50-5-103, 50-5-226 and 50-5-227, MCA

Implementing statute(s): Sec. 50-5-225, 50-5-226 and 50-5-227, MCA

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