



ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA

37.106.2853 OXYGEN USE

- (1) A resident who requires the use of oxygen:
 - (a) shall be permitted to self-administer the oxygen if the resident is capable of:
 - (i) determining their need for oxygen; and
 - (ii) administering the oxygen to themselves or with assistance.
- (2) The direct care staff employed by the facility shall monitor the ability of the resident to operate the equipment in accordance with the orders of the practitioner.
- (3) The facility shall ensure that all direct care staff who may be required to assist resident's with administration of oxygen have demonstrated the ability to properly operate the equipment.
- (4) The following rules must be followed when oxygen is in use:
 - (a) oxygen tanks must be secured and properly stored at all times;
 - (b) no smoking or open flames may be allowed in rooms in which oxygen is used or stored, and such rooms must be posted with a conspicuous "No Smoking, Oxygen in Use" sign;
 - (c) a backup portable unit for the administration of oxygen shall be present in the facility at all times when a resident who requires oxygen is present in the facility, this includes when oxygen concentrators are used;
 - (d) the equipment used to administer oxygen must be in good working condition; and
 - (e) the equipment used to administer oxygen is removed from the facility when it is no longer needed by the resident.

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

History: NEW, 2002 MAR p. 3638, Eff. 12/27/02.