



ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA



37.106.2855 INFECTION CONTROL

- (1) The assisted living facility must establish and maintain infection control policies and procedures sufficient to provide a safe, sanitary, and comfortable environment to help prevent the development and transmission of communicable diseases and infections. Such policies and procedures must include, at a minimum, the following requirements:
 - (a) a system for preventing, identifying, investigating, and controlling infections and communicable diseases for all residents, staff, volunteers, and visitors;
 - (b) standard and transmission-based precautions to be followed to prevent spread of infections;
 - (c) when and how isolation should be used for a resident, including:
 - (i) the type and duration of the isolation, depending upon the infectious agent or organism involved; and
 - (ii) a requirement that the isolation should be the least restrictive possible for the resident under the circumstances;
 - (d) any other circumstances under which the facility must prohibit employees with a communicable disease or infected skin lesions from direct contact with residents or their food, if direct contact will transmit disease;
 - (e) if, after admission to the facility, a resident is suspected of having a communicable disease that would endanger the health and welfare of other residents, the administrator or designee must contact the resident's practitioner and assure that appropriate safety measures are taken on behalf of that resident and the other residents; and
 - (f) all staff shall use proper hand washing technique after providing direct care to a resident.
- (2) The facility, where applicable, shall comply with applicable statutes and rules regarding the handling and disposal of hazardous waste.

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

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

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