

Chapter H 33

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MEDICAL SERVICE

H 33.015 Prompt medical care. It shall be the responsibility of the person in charge of the nursing home to obtain medical care promptly in cases of apparent acute illness of patients. Such instances shall be recorded on the patient's chart.

History: 1-2-56; renum. from H 33.31 to be H 33.015, Register, June, 1959, No. 42, eff. 7-1-59.

H 33.021 Abuse of patients. Patients shall receive kind, considerate care and treatment at all times.

History: 1-2-56; renum. from H 33.17 to be H 33.021, Register, June, 1959, No. 42, eff. 7-1-59.

H 33.05 Physical examinations; patients; annually. After the initial examination, including a chest x-ray, prior to admission, the administrator shall arrange for each patient to have a physical examination by a licensed physician at least once each year and such additional visits as shall be deemed necessary.

History: 1-2-56; r., recr. and renum. from H 32.20 to be H 33.05, Register, June, 1959, No. 42, eff. 7-1-59.

H 33.06 Means of identification—recommendation. It is *recommended* that all ambulatory patients carry an identification card, name tape or equivalent on their person.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1959, No. 42, eff. 7-1-59.

H 33.08 Bathing patients—recommendation. It is *recommended* that baths be given at least every second day for bed patients.

History: 1-2-56; renum. from H 33.10 to be H 33.08, Register, June, 1959, No. 42, eff. 7-1-59.

H 33.09 Bathing and care of incontinent patients. Incontinent patients shall have:

- (1) Daily baths.
- (2) Partial baths after each voiding.
- (3) Cellu pads or diapers to keep the bedding dry and for patients' comfort.

(4) Soothing and healing lotions or creams applied where the skin is irritated; careful care of the skin to prevent bedsores.

History: 1-2-56; renum. from H 33.11 to be H 33.09, Register, June, 1959, No. 42, eff. 7-1-59.

H 33.115 Position of bed patient. The position of the patient in bed shall be changed frequently when possible.

History: 1-2-56; renum. from H 33.12 to be H 33.115, Register, June, 1959, No. 42, eff. 7-1-59.

H 33.125 Ambulation encouraged—recommendation. It is *recommended* that the patient be out of bed as much as possible and removed from the bedroom frequently according to doctor's order.

History: 1-2-56; renum. from H 33.13 to be H 33.125, Register, June, 1959, No. 42, eff. 7-1-59.

H 33.151 Use of oxygen. Oxygen shall not be used in nursing homes unless there is a registered nurse or a trained person (See H 32.19) on duty at all times. Signs indicating "No smoking" or "Do not strike matches" shall be posted in and at the entrance of the room when oxygen is in use.

History: 1-2-56; renum. from H 33.25 to be H 33.151, Register, June, 1959, No. 42, eff. 7-1-59.

H 33.161 Physical therapy—recommendation. It is *recommended* that physical therapy treatments be instituted and maintained to rehabilitate patients likely to benefit from such treatments in accordance with the determination of the attending physician.

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H 33.165 History: 1-2-56; r., Register, June, 1959, No. 42, eff. 7-1-59. Register, February, 1963, No. 86