WAC 388-110-220 Enhanced adult residential care service stand-

ards. (1) In assisted living facility with an enhanced adult residential care contract, the contractor must meet the requirements of parts I and III of this chapter, and for residents served under the enhanced adult residential care contract:

(a) Develop for each resident a negotiated service agreement that supports the principles of dignity, privacy, choice in decision making, individuality, and independence.

(b) Provide or arrange for, at no additional cost to the resident and consistent with the resident's negotiated service agreement and chapter 388-78A WAC:

(i) Intermittent nursing services;

(ii) Medication administration;

(iii) Personal care services; and

(iv) Supportive services that promote independence and self-sufficiency; and

(c) Not allow more than two residents per room.

(2) An enhanced adult residential care-specialized dementia care services contract is a distinct contract, separate from an enhanced adult residential care contract. In an assisted living facility with an enhanced adult residential care-specialized dementia care services contract, the contractor must:

(a) Meet the requirements of parts I and III of this chapter,

(b) Meet the requirements of subsection (1) of this section, and

(c) Maintain an enhanced adult residential care services contract or an assisted living services contract in addition to the enhanced adult residential care-specialized dementia care services contract.

(3) In an assisted living facility with an enhanced adult residential care-specialized dementia care services contract, for residents served under that contract, the contractor must:

(a) Complete a full assessment of residents as specified in chapter 388-78A WAC, at a minimum, on a semi-annual basis;

(b) Maintain awake staff twenty-four hours per day. The contractor must provide staffing that is adequate to respond to the assessed sleeping and waking patterns and needs of residents;

(c) Develop and implement policies and procedures:

(i) To manage residents who may wander;

(ii) To outline actions to be taken in case a resident elopes; and

(iii) To obtain consultative resources to address behavioral issues for residents. The contractor must include a plan that identifies the professional (i.e., clinical psychologist, psychiatrist, psychiatric nurse practitioner, or other behavioral specialist familiar with care of persons with dementia with complex or severe problems) who will provide the consultation, and when and how the consultation will be utilized.

(d) Ensure that each staff who works directly with residents has at least six hours of continuing education per year related to dementia, including Alzheimer's disease. This six hours of continuing education may be part of the ten hours of continuing education required by WAC 388-112-0205. Appropriate topics include, but are not limited to:

(i) Agitation: Caregiving strategies;

(ii) Challenging behaviors: Strategies for managing aggression and sexual behavior;

(iii) Delusions and hallucinations;

(iv) Using problem-solving strategies in dementia care;

(v) Depression and dementia;

(vi) Fall prevention for people with dementia;

(vii) Personal care as meaningful activity;

(viii) Promoting adequate food and fluid consumption;

(ix) Promoting pleasant and purposeful activity;

(x) Resistance to care: Caregiving strategies; and

(xi) Recognizing and assessing pain in people with dementia.

(e) Provide all necessary physical assistance with bathing and toilet use for residents who require caregivers to perform these activities and subtasks of these activities, and required oversight and supervision, encouragement and cueing. For the purposes of this subsection:

(i) "Bathing" has the same meaning as described in WAC 388-106-0010; and

(ii) "Toilet use" has the same meaning as described in WAC 388-106-0010.

(f) Routinely provide assistance with eating as necessary, including required oversight and supervision, encouragement and cueing. The contractor must also provide all necessary physical assistance with eating on an occasional basis for residents who require total feeding assistance. However, the contractor is not required to provide total feeding assistance for an extended or indefinite period. As used in this section, eating has the same meaning as described in WAC 388-106-0010, except that the contractor is not required to provide tube feedings or intravenous nutrition.

(g) Provide daily activities consistent with the functional abilities, interests, habits and preferences of the individual residents. The contractor must support the participation of residents and the resident council, if there is one, in the development of recreational and activity programs that reflect the needs and choices of residents. On a daily basis, the contractor must provide residents access to:

(i) Opportunities for independent, self-directed, activities.

(ii) Individual activities, in which a staff person or volunteer engages the resident in a planned and/or spontaneous activity of interest. Activities may include personal care activities that provide opportunities for purposeful and positive interactions; and

(iii) Group activities.

(h) Offer opportunities for activities that accommodate variations in a resident's mood, energy and preferences. The contractor must make appropriate activities available based upon the resident's individual schedule and interests. For example, individuals up at night must have access to staff support, food and appropriate activities;

(i) Make available multiple common areas, at least one of which is outdoors, that vary by size and arrangement such as: various size furniture groupings that encourage social interaction; areas with environmental cues that may stimulate activity, such as a resident kitchen or workshop; areas with activity supplies and props to stimulate conversation; a garden area; and paths and walkways that encourage exploration and walking. These areas must accommodate and offer opportunities for individual or group activity;

(j) Ensure that the outdoor area for residents:

(i) Is accessible to residents without staff assistance;

(ii) Is surrounded by walls or fences at least seventy-two inches high;

(iii) Has areas protected from direct sunshine and rain throughout the day; (iv) Has walking surfaces that are firm, stable, slip-resistant and free from abrupt changes, and are suitable for individuals using wheelchairs and walkers;

(v) Has suitable outdoor furniture;

(vi) Has plants that are not poisonous or toxic to humans; and

(vii) Has areas for appropriate outdoor activities of interest to residents, such as walking paths, raised garden or flower beds, bird feeders, etc.

(k) Ensure that areas used by residents have a residential atmosphere, and residents have opportunities for privacy, socialization, and wandering behaviors;

(1) Ensure any public address system in the area of specialized dementia care services is used only for emergencies;

(m) Encourage residents' individualized spaces to be furnished and or decorated with personal items based on resident needs and preferences;

(n) Ensure residents have access to their own rooms at all times without staff assistance; and

(o) Make available and offer at no additional cost to the resident generic personal care items needed by the resident such as soap, shampoo, toilet paper, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, sanitary napkins, and disposable razors. This does not include items covered by medical coupons or preclude residents from choosing to purchase their own personal care items.

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