WAC 246-170-041 Inpatient services requirements. (1) Inpatient services to infectious or suspected cases shall be provided in hospitals or hospital units of correctional facilities. These facilities shall meet infection control program requirements pursuant to WAC 246-318-035, and shall provide:

(a) A single-patient room consistent with the guidelines set forth in the 1994 CDC Guidelines For Preventing the Transmission of Tuberculosis in Health Care Facilities, or as hereafter amended. Copies of these guidelines are available from the Washington state department of health, TB control program;

(b) Medical, nursing, laboratory, radiology, pharmacy, patient education, and social services;

(c) Discharge conferences involving at least the current primary provider, a local health department representative, and transferring and receiving facility representatives.

(2) Suspected and infectious cases may be housed and treated in other settings not meeting the requirements of this section only as approved by the local health officer.

[Statutory Authority: ESB 6158 and chapter 70.28 RCW. WSR 95-04-035, § 246-170-041, filed 1/24/95, effective 1/24/95.]