

**WAC 246-337-040 Construction review services requirements. (1)**

Prior to beginning any construction or remodeling, the applicant or licensee must submit an application and fee specified in chapter 246-314 WAC, if applicable, to the department and receive written authorization by the department to proceed.

(2) The requirements of chapter 246-337 WAC in effect at the time the application and fee are submitted to the department, and the project number as assigned by the department, apply for the duration of the construction project.

(3) All facilities seeking to be licensed and existing licensed facilities seeking to renovate, alter, add, or relocate shall comply with the state building code as adopted by the state building code council under the authority of chapter 19.27 RCW.

(4) In addition to subsection (3) of this section, facilities, or any portion of the facility, licensed in their capacity to provide mental health, substance use disorder, or co-occurring services must follow physical environmental requirements in this chapter for new construction.

(5) In addition to subsection (3) of this section, facilities, or any portion of the facility, licensed in their capacity to provide pediatric transitional care services shall comply with the following physical environmental standards:

(a) The 2014 edition of the *Guidelines for Design and Construction of Hospitals and Outpatient Facilities* as developed by the Facilities Guidelines Institute and published by the American Society for Healthcare Engineering of the American Hospital Association, 155 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60606 for new construction; and

(b) The following specific construction standards:

(i) All doors accessing the pediatric transitional care services unit are locked doors in accordance with the Washington state adopted building code;

(ii) All resident sleeping rooms have windows in the hallway wall or door to promote high visibility;

(iii) Security cameras, video only, installed at all entry points into the PTCS unit, in hallways outside all resident sleeping rooms, and in all designated parent visitation areas;

(iv) Telephones installed in all resident sleeping rooms;

(v) A communication system, wired or wireless, that provides staff the means to summon on-duty staff assistance from key areas such as resident sleeping rooms, common rooms, corridors, nurse station, and administrative offices; and

(vi) Emergency power. The licensee must have an emergency generator that:

(A) Meets the definition in the NFPA 99, Health care facilities, as adopted by the state building code council; and

(B) Provides a minimum of seventy-two hours of effective facility operation.

(6) Preconstruction. The applicant or licensee must request and attend a presubmission conference with the department for projects with a construction value of two hundred fifty thousand dollars or more. The presubmission conference shall be scheduled to occur at the end of the design development phase or the beginning of the construction documentation phase of the project.

(7) Construction document review. The applicant or licensee must submit accurate and complete construction documents for proposed new construction to the department for review within ten days of submis-

sion to the local authorities. The construction documents must include:

(a) A written functional program, in accordance with RCW 71.12.470, outlining the types of services provided, types of residents to be served, and how the needs of the residents will be met including a narrative description of:

- (i) Program goals;
- (ii) Staffing and health care to be provided consistent with WAC 246-337-080 or 246-337-081, as applicable;
- (iii) Infection control consistent with WAC 246-337-060;
- (iv) Safety and security consistent with WAC 246-337-065;
- (v) Restraint and seclusion consistent with WAC 246-337-110;
- (vi) Laundry consistent with WAC 246-337-112;
- (vii) Food and nutrition consistent with WAC 246-337-111;
- (viii) Medication consistent with WAC 246-337-105; and
- (ix) Housekeeping.

(b) Drawings prepared, stamped, and signed by an architect or engineer licensed by the state of Washington under chapter 18.08 RCW. The services of a consulting engineer licensed by the state of Washington may be used for the various branches of the work, if appropriate;

(c) Drawings with coordinated architectural, mechanical, and electrical work drawn to scale showing complete details for construction, including:

- (i) Site plan(s) showing streets, driveways, parking, vehicle and pedestrian circulation, and location of existing and new buildings;
- (ii) Dimensioned floor plan(s) with the function of each room and fixed/required equipment designated;
- (iii) Elevations, sections, and construction details;
- (iv) Schedules of floor, wall, and ceiling finishes;
- (v) Schedules of doors and windows - Sizes and type, and door finish hardware;
- (vi) Mechanical systems - Plumbing and heating/venting/air conditioning; and
- (vii) Electrical systems, including lighting, power, and communication/notification systems.

(d) Specifications that describe with specificity the workmanship and finishes;

(e) Shop drawings and related equipment specifications for:

- (i) An automatic fire sprinkler system; and
- (ii) An automatic fire alarm system.

(f) An interim life safety measures plan to ensure the health and safety of occupants during construction and renovation; and

(g) An infection control risk assessment indicating appropriate infection control measures, keeping the surrounding area free of dust and fumes, and ensuring rooms or areas are well ventilated, unoccupied, and unavailable for use until free of volatile fumes and odors.

(8) Resubmittals. The licensee shall respond in writing when the department requests additional or corrected construction documents.

(9) Construction. The licensee or applicant shall comply with the following requirements during the construction phase:

- (a) Assure conformance to the approved plans during construction;
- (b) Submit addenda, change orders, construction change directives or any other deviation from the approved plans to the department prior to their installation; and
- (c) Allow any necessary inspections for the verification of compliance with the construction documents, addenda, and modifications.

(10) Project closeout. The licensee or applicant shall not use any new or remodeled areas until:

(a) The department has approved construction documents;

(b) The local jurisdictions have completed all required inspections and approvals, when applicable or given approval to occupy; and

(c) The licensee or applicant notifies the department when construction is completed and includes:

(i) A copy of the local jurisdiction's approval for occupancy;

(ii) The completion date;

(iii) The actual construction cost; and

(iv) Additional information as required by the department.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 71.12.670, 71.12.684 and 2017 c 263. WSR 19-02-036, § 246-337-040, filed 12/24/18, effective 1/1/19. Statutory Authority: RCW 71.12.670. WSR 18-06-092, § 246-337-040, filed 3/6/18, effective 4/16/18. Statutory Authority: Chapter 71.12 RCW. WSR 05-15-157, § 246-337-040, filed 7/20/05, effective 8/20/05.]