WAC 388-107-0640 Staff development trainings. (1) The enhanced services facility must have a staff development program that is under the direction of a designated registered nurse or licensed practical nurse or mental health professional.

(2) The enhanced services facility must:

(a) Ensure each employee receives initial orientation to the facility and its policies and is initially assigned only to duties for which the employee has demonstrated competence;

(b) Ensure all employees receive appropriate in-service and continuing education to maintain a level of knowledge appropriate to, and demonstrated competence in, the performance of ongoing job duties consistent with the principle of assisting the resident to attain or maintain the highest practicable physical, mental, and psychosocial well-being. To this end, the enhanced services facility must:

(i) Assess the specific training needs of each employee and address those needs;

(ii) Determine the special needs of the enhanced services facility's resident population which may require training emphasis; and

(iii) Ensure that each employee is trained on deescalating challenging behaviors, including the use of a manual technique intended to interrupt or stop a behavior from occurring.

(c) Comply with other applicable training requirements, such as, but not limited to, the bloodborne pathogen standard.

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