

**WAC 388-76-10003 Department access.** (1) During the initial licensing of the home, the applicant must allow the department staff to inspect the entire premises including all of the home's rooms, buildings, grounds, and equipment and all pertinent records.

(2) During inspections after initial licensing is complete, the adult family home must allow the department staff to examine all areas and articles in the home that are used to provide care or support to residents, including the physical premises and residents' records and accounts. The physical premises includes the buildings, grounds, and equipment, as well as all areas of the home for the purpose of checking smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, and posting of the emergency evacuation floor plan. The personal records of adult family home staff unrelated to the operation of the adult family home are not subject to department inspection. A separate bedroom used by adult family home staff will not be subject to review and inspection unless it is used to provide direct care to a resident.

(3) During complaint investigations, the adult family home must give department staff access to the entire premises and all records related to the residents or operation of the home. Department staff are authorized to interview the provider, family members, and individuals residing in the home including residents.

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