

WAC 388-76-10655 Physical and mechanical restraints. The adult family home must ensure:

(1) Each resident's right to be free from physical and mechanical restraints used for discipline or convenience;

(2) Prior to the use of physical or mechanical restraints, less restrictive alternatives have been tried and documented in the resident's negotiated care plan;

(3) The physical or mechanical restraints have been assessed as necessary to treat the resident's medical symptoms and addressed on the resident's negotiated care plan; and

(4) If physical or mechanical restraints are used to treat a resident's medical symptoms, the restraints are applied and immediately supervised on-site by a:

(a) Licensed registered nurse;

(b) Licensed practical nurse; or

(c) Licensed physician.

(5) For the purposes of this section, "immediately supervised" means that the licensed person is in the home and quickly and easily available.

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