

WAC 246-335-710 Definitions. The definitions in this section apply throughout WAC 246-335-705 through 246-335-768 unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

(1) "Construction" means:

(a) New building(s) to be used as a hospice care center;

(b) Addition(s) to or conversion(s), either in whole or in part, of an existing building or buildings to be used as a hospice care center or a portion thereof; or

(c) Alteration or modification to a hospice care center.

(2) "Homelike" means an environment having the qualities of a home, including privacy, comfortable surroundings, opportunities for patient self-expression, and supporting interaction with the patient's family, friends, and community.

(3) "Hospice care center" or "in-home services agency licensed to provide hospice care center services" means a homelike, noninstitutional facility where hospice services are provided, and that meet the requirements for operation under RCW 70.127.280 and applicable rules.

(4) "Hospice care center service category" means the following different levels of care provided in a hospice care center:

(a) "Continuous care" means care for patients requiring a minimum of eight hours of one-to-one services in a calendar day, with assessment and supervision by an RN. An RN, LPN or home health aide may provide the care or treatment, according to practice acts and applicable rules, of acute or chronic symptoms, including a crisis in their caregiving;

(b) "General inpatient care" means care for patients requiring an RN on-site twenty-four hours a day, for assessment and supervision. An RN, LPN or home health aide may provide the care or treatment, according to practice acts and applicable rules, of acute or chronic symptoms, including a crisis in their caregiving;

(c) "Inpatient respite care" means care for patients whose caregivers require short-term relief of their caregiving duties;

(d) "Routine home care" means the core level of service for patients not receiving continuous care, general inpatient care, or inpatient respite care.

(5) "Hospice care center services" means hospice services provided in a hospice care center and may include any of the levels of care defined as hospice care center service categories.

(6) "Pressure relationships" of air to adjacent areas means:

(a) Positive (P) pressure is present in a room when the:

(i) Room sustains a minimum of 0.001 inches of H₂O pressure differential with the adjacent area, the room doors are closed, and air is flowing out of the room; or

(ii) Sum of the air flow at the supply air outlets (in CFM) exceeds the sum of the air flow at the exhaust/return air outlets by at least 70 CFM with the room doors and windows closed.

(b) Negative (N) pressure is present in a room when the:

(i) Room sustains a minimum of 0.001 inches of H₂O pressure differential with the adjacent area, the room doors are closed, and air is flowing into the room; or

(ii) Sum of the air flow at the exhaust/return air outlets (in CFM) exceeds the sum of the air flow at the supply air outlets by at least 70 CFM with the room doors and windows closed.

(c) Equal (E) pressure is present in a room when the:

(i) Room sustains a pressure differential range of plus or minus 0.0002 inches of H₂O with the adjacent area, and the room doors are closed; or

(ii) Sum of the air flow at the supply air outlets (in CFM) is within ten percent of the sum of the air flow at the exhaust/return air outlets with the room doors and windows closed.

(7) "Sink" means one of the following:

(a) "Clinic service sink (siphon jet)" means a plumbing fixture of adequate size and proper design for waste disposal with siphon jet or similar action sufficient to flush solid matter of at least two and one-eighth inch diameter;

(b) "Service sink" means a plumbing fixture of adequate size and proper design for filling and emptying mop buckets;

(c) "Handwash sink" means a plumbing fixture of adequate size and proper design to minimize splash and splatter and permit handwashing without touching fixtures with hands, with adjacent soap dispenser with foot control or equivalent and single service hand drying device.

(8) "WISHA" means the Washington Industrial Safety and Health Act, chapter 49.17 RCW.

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