



# State Regulatory Developments

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# Vision Statement

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- Enhance a common understanding of State regulations to benefit residents of New Jersey Assisted Living Residents.



# Goals and Objectives

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- Understand N.J.A.C. 8:36 standards for licensure of assisted living residences, comprehensive personal care homes.
- Ensure a shared understanding of what constitutes compliance & non-compliance at the physical environment.



# Today's Situation

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- Assisted Living Regulations Revisions Effective 2/05/07.
- Subchapter 14 Emergency Services & Procedures.
- Subchapter 16 Physical Plant.
- Subchapter 17 Housekeeping, Sanitation, Safety and Maintenance.



# Subchapter 14: Emergency Services & Procedures

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- New -14.1 (c) CPR & Heimlich.
  - 1 person trained and available at all times.
- New -14.1 (d) AED on site.
  - 1 person trained and available at all times.
- New -14.3 (a) At least 4 drills on each working shift each year.



# Subchapter 16: Physical Plant

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- 16.15 (a)- fire extinguisher regulations revised, now refer to NFPA 10, standards for portable fire extinguishers 2002 edition.
- 16.15 (b)- all extinguishers will have Underwriters Lab seal.



## Subchapter 17: Housekeeping, Sanitation, Safety & Maintenance.

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- -17.3 (b) ii - written statement of electrical inspection available for review by DHSS at survey.
- -17.4 (b) - garbage compactors complies with IMC 2003 edition.



## Subchapter 17 (continued)

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- -17.6 (b) – Hot Water 105 - 120 degrees Fahrenheit.
- -17.6 (c) – Draining equipment (ice machines) drained according to IMC 2003.



# The Survey Process

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- Documentation Review – All Inspections for the past year.
- Tour of the facility.
  - Keys to all areas.
  - Thermometer.
  - Facility layout.



# The NJ Standard for Licensure: for Assisted Living

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- 8:36-14 Emergency Services and Procedures
  - 14.1 Emergency Medical Services.
  - 14.2 Emergency Plans and Procedures.
  - 14.3 Drills and Tests.



# The NJ Standard for Licensure: for Assisted Living

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- 8:36-16 Physical Plant
  - 16.1 New buildings and renovations shall conform to the NJ Uniform Construction Code, N.J.A.C. 5:23-3 Use Group I-2
  - 16.3 Ventilation
  - 16.4 Exit access passageways and corridors



# The NJ Standard for Licensure: for Assisted Living

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- 8:36-16 Physical Plant
  - 16.5 Automatic fire detection systems
  - 16.6 Fire suppression systems
  - 16.7 Interior finish requirement
  - 16.8 General residential unit requirements
  - 16.9 Toilets, baths and hand washing sinks
  - 16.10 Kitchenettes



# The NJ Standard for Licensure: for Assisted Living

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- 8:36-16 Physical Plant
  - 16.11 Community space
  - 16.12 Laundry Equipment
  - 16.13 Dietary department
  - 16.15 Fire extinguisher specifications
  - 16.17 Telecommunications



# The NJ Standard for Licensure: for Assisted Living

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- 8:36-17 Housekeeping, Sanitation, Safety and Maintenance
  - 17.1 Provision of services
  - 17.2 Housekeeping
  - 17.3 Resident environment
  - 17.5 Heating and air conditioning



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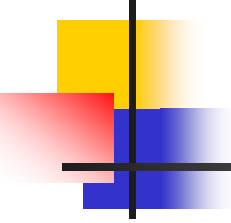
- 8:36-17 Housekeeping, Sanitation, Safety and Maintenance
  - 17.6 Water supply
  - 17.7 Buildings and grounds maintenance
  - 17.8 Laundry services



# The “Top 10” Physical Plant/ Environmental A.L. Deficiencies

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- 14.2(B) Evacuation Diagrams
- 14.3(A) Emergency Drills (New)
- 14.3(D) Fire Extinguishers
- 16.3(B) Ventilation
- 16.6 Fire Suppression Systems



# The “Top 10” Physical Plant/ Environmental A.L. Deficiencies

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- 16.12(C) Commercial Laundry
- 17.3(B)4 Cleaning Products
- 17.3(B)6 Flammable and Combustible Materials
- 17.6 Water Supply (New)
- 17.7 Buildings and Grounds Maintenance



# Actions to Prevent Citations

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- Get and Know the regulations
- Maintain accurate documentation
- Know your facility
- Talk to your peers at other facility's
- Conduct mock surveys
- Know policies and procedures
- Maintain equipment



# Questions

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