

Nursing Home Required Postings

State Rules

- License displayed in a conspicuous place which is viewed by the public.
- Each citation for a Class I or II violation shall be prominently posted until the violation is corrected to the satisfaction of the department.
- Written emergency plan to be followed in the event of fire, tornado, explosion, or other emergency.
- Smoking shall only be permitted in posted areas.
- A written copy of resident's rights shall be prominently posted in a location available to all residents.
- The name, telephone number, and address of the LTC Ombudsman, survey agency, law enforcement agency, and certified volunteer LTC ombudsman shall be prominently posted.
- Visiting hours.

Life Safety Code

- Emergency Preparedness Plan must be readily accessible to staff, residents, and visitors at all times.
- Fire safety plan must be readily accessible to staff at all times.
- No-smoking signs posted at entrances (particularly main entrance).
- Codes to locked doors and gates for alert and oriented residents and representatives in the event of an emergency.
- Delayed egress door signage.

Federal Regulations

- F575—In a form and manner accessible and understandable to residents and their representatives post a list of names, addresses (mailing and email) and telephone numbers of all pertinent state agencies and advocacy groups such as:
- The state survey agency, licensure office, adult protective services, LTC ombudsman program, Medicaid fraud control unit, protection & advocacy network, HCBS service programs.
- A statement that the resident may file a complaint with the state survey agency concerning suspected violations of regulations including abuse, neglect, exploitation, misappropriation of property, non-compliance with advanced directives, and returning to the community.
- F577—Post a notice of the availability of survey reports in areas
 of the nursing home that are prominent and accessible to the
 public.
- F589—Written information on how to apply for and use Medicare & Medicaid benefits and how to receive refunds for previous payments covered by such benefits.
- F607–Å conspicuous notice of employee rights as defined in section 1150(b)(d)3 of the Act.
- ♦ The employee must report suspicion of a crime as outlined in the regulations.
- The nursing home may not retaliate against an individual who lawfully reports a reasonable suspicion of a crime including discharging, demoting, suspending, threatening, harassing, denying a promotion, or other employment-related benefit to the employee.
- Employee's rights include the right to file a complaint with the state agency against a nursing home that retaliates based on reporting of suspicion of a crime, as well as the manner of filing a compliant.

Resources:

Reporting Reasonable Suspicion of a Crime in Long-Term Care Facility: Section 1150B of the Social Security Act (Revised 1.20.12, retrieved 3.9.23)

Iowa Administrative Rules 481-58 (Retrieved 3.9.23)

Appendix PP of the State Operations Manual (Retrieved 3.9.23)

<u>Life Safety Code Regulations</u> (Revised 7/2018, retrieved 3.9.23)