



## Ohio Administrative Code

### Rule 3701-19-48 Standards for pediatric respite care program facilities.

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(A) Each new pediatric respite care program facility will be inspected by the director to determine compliance with provisions of this rule. The new pediatric respite care program facility won't admit patients until the director has determined that the facility is in compliance with the requirements of this chapter of the Administrative Code.

(B) The pediatric respite care program facility will meet all applicable provisions of the Ohio fire code adopted pursuant to section 3737.82 of the Revised Code.

(C) The building or buildings in which a pediatric respite care program facility is located will comply with the applicable provisions of the Ohio building code adopted by the board of building standards pursuant to Chapters 3781., 3783., and 3791. of the Revised Code, and have a certificate of occupancy issued by the appropriate building authority.

(D) Each new pediatric respite care program facility not using a public sewage disposal system will have its facility sewage disposal system inspected and approved by the local health department in accordance with Chapter 3701-29 of the Administrative Code.

(E) Each new pediatric respite care program facility will:

(1) Design and maintain appropriate space providing optimal comfort and privacy for patients and family members.

(2) Maintain appropriate patient rooms designed and equipped for adequate nursing care, comfort and privacy of patients that will:

(a) Be equipped with or conveniently located near toilet and bathing facilities;

(b) Be at or above grade level;



- (c) Contain an appropriate bed and other appropriate furniture;
  - (d) Have closet space providing security and privacy for clothing and personal belongings;
  - (e) Measure at least one hundred square feet for a single patient room or eighty square feet for each patient for a multipatient room; and
  - (f) Be equipped for calling the staff member on duty.
- (3) Maintain appropriate bathroom facilities and plumbing. The facility will provide:
- (a) An adequate supply of hot water at all times for patient use; and
  - (b) Plumbing fixtures with control valves that automatically regulate the temperature of the hot water used by patients.
- (4) Provide appropriate linens. The pediatric respite care program facility will provide at all times:
- (a) A quantity of linen for proper care and comfort of patients; and
  - (b) Linens must be handled, stored, processed and transported in a manner that prevents the spread of infection.
- (5) Have provisions for isolating patients with infectious diseases.
- (6) Provide meal service;
- (a) The pediatric respite care program facility providing its own meal service will:
    - (i) Obtain an appropriate food service license, unless exempt in accordance with section 3717.42 of the Revised Code, or contracting with another licensed food service provider;



(ii) Serve at least three meals or their equivalent each day at regular times, with not more than fourteen hours between a substantial evening meal and breakfast;

(iii) Procure, store, prepare, distribute and serve all food under sanitary conditions;

(iv) Have a staff member trained or experienced in food management or nutrition who is responsible for:

(A) Planning menus that meet the nutritional needs of each patient, following the orders of the patient's physician and, to the extent medically possible, the dietary allowances recommended by the national academy of sciences;

(B) Supervising the meal preparation and service to ensure that the menu plan is followed;

(v) If the pediatric respite care program has patients who require medically prescribed or ordered special diets, have the menus for those patients planned by a dietitian who supervises the preparation and serving of meals to ensure that the patient accepts the special diet.