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| ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND NON-PRESCRIBED DRUGS | | | | NO. 116 | |
| It is the policy of this facility that the drinking or use of any alcoholic beverages or the taking of non-prescribed drugs is strictly prohibited in the facility or on facility grounds. Alcohol may be served and consumed only at supervised facility functions, with the proper approval of administration and medical authorities.  If a patient is found to have alcohol on their breath, acts intoxicated, or appears to be under the influence of an illegal substance, or a report of suspected usage has been given to Administration, a urine sample may be collected and/or room search conducted.  Random checks may be done of resident’s belongings and personal living areas, including lockers, bedside stands, wardrobes, dressers, and other storage areas for personal belongings especially if contraband (illegal or non-prescribed) is suspected. Only the Social Service Director, Director of Nursing, or the facility Administrator or his or her designee shall be allowed to make said random check.  Residents may be required to take a drug or alcohol test at any time that reasonable suspicion presents itself or if a credible allegation from a reliable source is made. Examples of reasonable suspicion include, but are not limited to:   * Smell of alcohol or drugs * Violent or threatening behavior toward staff or other residents * Unsteady gait * Dramatic change in behavior * Altered awareness or confusion * Dilated pupils * Hallucinations * Slurred speech   Drug testing will be done either at the facility utilizing an instant urine test kit or at the hospital.  Any resident who refused to submit to testing as described in this policy or who is found using, possessing or distributing any of the substances named in this policy, or who is found under the influence of any such substances may be subject to involuntary discharge per the Code of Conduct.  The facility has the right to report use, possession or distribution of any substances named in this policy to law enforcement officials and to turn over to custody of law enforcement officials any such substance. The contacting of law enforcement is at the discretion of the Administrator or his or her designee.  Compliance with this policy is mandatory for all residents and is considered a condition of continued residency at the facility. | | | | | |
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