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|  DISCHARGE AGAINST MEDICAL ADVICE (A.M.A) | NO. 148a |
| Social Services staff will make efforts to inform resident(s) prior to their discharge of reasons why the discharge is not medically suggested. Social Services will attempt to have physician consult with resident as well as Interdisciplinary Treatment Team prior to discharge to reinforce medical needs and review safety issues. Social Services will make attempts within reason to ensure that the resident's place of relocation is safe and offers the necessary care/services. Social Services will complete the resident's discharge summary reflecting the A.M.A. discharge status and will provide discharge follow-up contacts to ensure the resident's safety following discharge.Residents who insist upon being discharged against the medical advice of their attending physician shall sign a release of responsibility for the facility.Readmission shall be discouraged until a physician can be secured who agrees to treat them in this facility. This agreement must be in writing and accompanied by signed doctor's orders, a plan of care for the resident, specific instructions for behavior modification. |
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