

§ 558.285 Infection Control

An agency must adopt and enforce written policies addressing infection control, including the prevention of the spread of infectious and communicable disease. The policies must:

(1) ensure compliance by the agency, its employees, and its contractors with:

(A) Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 81, relating to prevention and control of communicable diseases;

(B) Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations relating to Bloodborne Pathogens at, 29 CFR Part 1910.1030, and Appendix A to that section ; and

(C) Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 85, Subchapter I, concerning the prevention of the transmission of human immunodeficiency virus and hepatitis B virus; and

(2) require documentation of infections that the client acquires while receiving services from the agency.

(A) If an agency is licensed to provide services other than personal assistance services, documentation must include the date that the infection was detected, the client's name, primary diagnosis, signs and symptoms, type of infection, pathogens identified, and treatment.

(B) If an agency is licensed to provide only personal assistance services, documentation must include the date that the infection was disclosed to the agency employee, the client's name, and treatment as disclosed by the client.

Notes

26 Tex. Admin. Code § 558.285

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