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Chapter 411@ DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, AGING AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

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Division 87@ NURSING FACILITIES/LICENSING - PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

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Section 411-087-0360@ Hallways, Corridors and Stairways

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(1)

Dimensions. All resident corridors/hallways serving resident living areas shall be a minimum of eight feet in width.

(2)

Obstructions. Items such as drinking fountains, telephone booths, vending machines, and portable equipment shall be located so as not to restrict corridor traffic or reduce the corridor width below the required minimum.

(3)

Handrails: (a) Handrails shall be provided on both sides of corridors used by residents and on all stairways. A minimum clear distance of 1-1/2 inches (3.8 cm) shall be provided between the handrail and the wall; (b) Ends of handrails shall be returned to the wall or otherwise be constructed to prevent snagging the clothes of residents.

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(4)

Exceptions. Except as provided in OAR 411-087-0010, facilities continuously licensed since January 1, 1992 shall be exempt from sections (1) and (2) of this rule.