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Section 205.28@ Nurses' station

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### **(a)**

A nurses' station shall be located in each nursing unit, located as centrally as practical within the nursing unit. A common nurses' station serving more than a single nursing unit may be permitted when the design of the project and method of operation indicate a satisfactory level of service. The size and facilities of the nurses' station shall be increased appropriate to the number of beds served and additional staffing required.

### **(b)**

The nurses' station may not be more than 120 feet from the most remote resident room served.

### **(c)**

The nurses' station shall have facilities for: (1) A nurses' call system. (2) Charting and supplies. (3) Medication storage and preparation, which may be within the clean workroom, if a self-contained cabinet is provided. The medication storage cabinet shall be locked. Mechanical ventilation shall be provided in this workroom. If a medication cart is used, provisions shall be made to lock the cart or to place the cart when not in use in a safe area that can be locked. The cart may not be stored in the corridor. (4) A double-locked narcotic compartment within the medication area.

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