

11-18 Transfer Agreement

(a)

Resident Transfer. The transfer agreement shall provide reasonable assurance that the transfer of residents will be effected between the hospital and the facility whenever such transfer is medically appropriate as determined by the attending physician. (i) The agreement shall be with hospitals close enough to the facility to make the transfer of residents feasible.

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Where the transfer agreement specifies restrictions with respect to the types of services available in the hospital or the facility and/or the types of residents or health conditions that will not be accepted by the hospital or the facility, or includes any other criteria relating to the transfer of residents (such as priorities for persons on waiting lists), such restrictions or criteria shall be the same as those applied by the hospital or facility.

(c)

Execution of Agreement. The transfer agreement shall be in writing and shall be signed by individuals authorized to execute such agreements on behalf of the facilities, or, in case the two (2) facilities are under common control, there shall be

a written policy or order signed by the person or body which controls them. (i) The terms of the transfer agreement shall be established jointly by both facilities when the hospital and the facility are not under common control. (ii) Each facility participating in the agreement shall retain a current copy of the agreement.

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Specification of Responsibilities. The transfer agreement shall specify the responsibilities each facility assumes in the transfer of residents and information between the hospital and the facility. (i) The agreement shall establish responsibility for notifying the other facility promptly of the impending transfer of a resident, arranging for appropriate and safe transportation, and arranging for the care of residents during the transfer.

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