

§418.110(k) Standard: Sanitary environment.

The hospice must provide a sanitary environment by following current standards of practice, including nationally recognized infection control precautions, and avoid sources and transmission of infections and communicable diseases.

Interpretive Guidelines §418.110(k)

“Sanitary” includes, but is not limited to, preventing the spread of disease-causing organisms by keeping patient care equipment clean and properly stored. Patient care equipment includes, but is not limited to, toothbrushes, dentures, denture cups, glasses, water pitchers, emesis basins, hairbrushes, combs, bed pans, urinals, and positioning or assistive devices.