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§483.420(a)(10) Ensure that clients have access to telephones with privacy for incoming and outgoing local and long distance calls except as contraindicated by factors identified within their individual program plans;

Guidance §483.420(a)(10)

Any restriction of telephone access must be explained in the IPP with a plan to advance the client's access. For persons with hearing loss who could benefit, Text Telephone (TTY) services or other accommodations should be provided.

As with any other rights restriction, the restriction must be addressed in the IPP, written informed consent obtained, and the plan must be reviewed and approved by the specially constituted committee.