

72325 Nursing Service-Space

(a)

An office or other suitable space shall be provided for the director of nursing service.

(b)

A nursing station shall be maintained in each nursing unit or building.

(c)

Each nursing station shall have a cabinet, a desk, space for records, a bulletin board, a telephone and a specifically designated and well illuminated medication storage compartment with a lockable door. If a separate medication room is maintained, it shall have a lockable door and a sink with water connections for care of equipment and for handwashing.

(d)

If a refrigerator is provided in a nursing station, the refrigerator shall meet the following standards: (1) Be located in a clean area not subject to contamination by human waste. (2) Maintain temperatures at or below 7°C (45°F) for chilling. (3) Maintain the freezer at minus 18°C (0°F). (4) Contain an accurate thermometer at all times. (5) If foods are retained in the refrigerator, they shall be covered and clearly identified as to contents and date initially covered.

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