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Title 22@ Social Security

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Division 6@ Licensing of Community Care Facilities

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Chapter 9.5@ Foster Family Homes

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Article 3@ Core Requirements for Caregivers, Relatives, and Nonrelative Extended Family Members

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Section 89387.2@ Storage Space

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(a)

Except as specified in subsections (b)(1) through (3), medicines, disinfectants, cleaning solutions, poisons, firearms, and other dangerous items shall be stored where inaccessible to a "child." (1) Storage areas for poisons, firearms, and other dangerous weapons shall be locked. (2) In lieu of locked storage of firearms, the caregiver may use trigger locks or remove the firing pin. (A) Firing pins shall be stored and locked separately from firearms. (3) Ammunition shall be stored and locked separately from firearms.

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The caregiver shall apply the reasonable and prudent parent standard, as specified in Section 89377, Reasonable and Prudent Parent Standard, in

determining if it is age and developmentally appropriate for a "child" to have access to and use items specified in subsections (b)(1) through (3). (1) Household kitchen knives and appliances do not need to be locked or inaccessible to a "child" who is of sufficient age and maturity to use such items. (2) Medications shall be stored where inaccessible to a "child," except as specified in Section 89475.1, Emergency Medical Assistance, Injections, and Self-Administration of Medications. (3) Disinfectants and cleaning solutions shall be stored where inaccessible to a "child," except as follows: (A) Before allowing a "child" to have access to or use disinfectants and cleaning solutions, the caregiver shall ensure that a "child" knows how to safely handle and use these products.

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In allowing a "child" to have access to and use items specified in subsections (b)(1) through (3), the caregiver shall ensure that the safety of a "child" and others in the home is maintained.