

Clinical	Smoking : Guideline		
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1. Smoking will be allowed in the designated smoking area(s) only. Each facility will designate a smoking area(s) unless the facility is deemed a smoke-free facility.
2. All smoking areas will have a fire extinguisher within 75 feet of the smoking area, smoking blanket, and extra smoking aprons. Smoking residents will be evaluated for the need to wear a smoking apron during their stay.
3. All Residents who smoke will be supervised (direct supervision) by designated facility staff, family members, visitor, or volunteer worker. Direct supervision must be provided throughout the entire smoke period.
4. No-Smoking signs shall be prominently displayed throughout the facility where smoking is prohibited.
5. On admission, residents who desire to smoke will have a smoking assessment completed. Smoking assessment will be updated quarterly and when a change has occurred that impacts the residents' ability to safely smoke. The Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) will review and update the care plan as indicated.
6. The risk factors and interventions that are identified on the Resident Assessment will be documented on the resident's plan of care.
7. All smoking materials, e.g., lighters, matches, cigarettes, electronic cigarettes, vapes, snuff, chewing tobacco, etc., are to be deposited and kept in a designated area for single use distribution only. Residents will not be allowed to have access for self-use of lighters, matches or other devices used to ignite smoking materials. The facility will be responsible for lighting resident smoking material.
8. The use of other tobacco products such as snuff and chewing tobacco may be used in the resident's room with the exception of the secured unit, where it poses a health hazard to other residents. However, if sanitation problems arise from the inappropriate use or disposal of these products, the resident will be restricted to using them in the designated smoking area. Residents must have the ability to use these products in a safe, clean, effective manner such that it does not compromise the facility's ability to provide a livable environment for all residents in accordance with Federal and State Regulations.
9. Staff will keep smoking materials for resident's who smoke, until designated smoking times. Smoking times may be designated per facility protocol.
10. Employees shall be allowed to smoke in the designated EMPLOYEE smoking area only. This area may also be designated for guests and visitors as well.
11. Ashtrays of non-combustible materials and of design to maintain compliance

with the Life Safety Code Regulations shall be provided in the designated smoking areas.

12. This policy may be reviewed on admission, orientation and on an annual basis through resident council, family council and the facility newsletter, as appropriate.

13. Residents who have cigarettes purchased for them through their account have the opportunity to request brands of their choosing.

14. Smoking will not be permitted in any areas with oxygen related devices.

15. Staff members, visitors, sponsors and volunteer workers or any other party are prohibited from purchasing any smoking articles and giving them directly to the resident. All tobacco products and ignition articles must be given to the attending nurse and/or an activity/social service member for secure storage.

16. Family members, visitors, residents' responsible parties, volunteers or any other part that is viewed to fulfill this roll for the resident, that is determined to be in violation of the requirement, will affect and result in the loss of residents smoking privileges for that resident if, after a first reminder, repeat violations of the policy occurs.

17. Resident may not give their cigarettes, etc. to another resident to smoke.

18. The facility reserves the right for search of the resident's room if determined the residents may have smoking articles in possession in violation of the smoking policy.

19. Repeated violations of any part of the smoking policy will be determined to be a danger to themselves or others will be immediately discharged as allowed by the Federal and State regulations.

20. When temperature and weather conditions are contraindicated for outdoor exposure and present a danger to residents and/or staff, the smoke scheduled times may be altered or suspended.

21. Alternative (cessation patches and/or coping mechanism) will be provided to residents who choose not to smoke or those who are unable to attend smoke breaks.

RESOURCE DOCUMENTS	RESOURCE DOCUMENTS	ORIGINATION DATE	DATE REVISED	DATE REVIEWED
Administrator, Director of Nursing, Licensed Nurse, Department Managers	Smoking Policy F 561, F689,F 921, F 926	9/22/2022	11/8/2022	11/16/2022