

Trouves Health Care

TITLE: HAZARDOUS DRUGS – CONTROL POLICY 12.01

Authority:

WAC 296-62-500

PURPOSE:

This policy underlines the controls taken in administering, receiving, coming in contact with hazardous drugs.

SCOPE:

All employees.

POLICY:

This facility is committed to the safety and protection of our staff and understands special attention must be paid to those who administer, receive or otherwise come into contact with hazardous drugs. To ensure all affected employees know about information concerning the dangers of all hazardous drugs used by this facility the following Hazardous Drug Control Program (HDCP) has been established.

This facility will participate in the Hazardous Drugs Control Program. This written program will be a part of the orientation program for affected staff members, updated annually and made available in the office of the Personal Care Director/Director of Nursing at all times for review by any staff.

PROCEDURE:

A comprehensive list of all known hazardous drugs with occupational exposure will be maintained by the **Personal Care Director/Director of Nursing** (PCD/DON) and kept in **Personal Care Director/Director of Nursing's office.**

Any drug identified as hazardous by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) at the Center for Disease Control (CDC) or any drug that meets at least one of the following six criteria is addressed by this program:

- 1. Carcinogenicity
- 2. Teratogenicity or developmental toxicity



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- 3. Reproductive toxicity in humans
- 4. Organ toxicity at low doses in humans or animals
- 5. Genotoxicity
- 6. New drugs that mimic existing hazardous drugs in structure and toxicity

Drug hazard information may be sourced from any one or a combination of the following:

- 1. Product labels
- 2. Package inserts
- 3. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS)
- 4. Special health warnings
- 5. Other such reliable sources

All drugs brought into the community for administration to residents by employees will be checked against this list. Any known hazardous drug not currently on the list will be added by the **PCD/DON**.

COPY OF HAZARDOUS DRUG INVENTORY RECORD FOLLOWS

EXCEPTIONS:

No exceptions to this policy may be granted without the prior written approval of the Director.

SUPERCEDES:

None