**Section 300.1050 Dental Standards**

a) Each long-term care facility shall have a dental program which will provide for in-service education to residents and staff under direction of dental personnel including at a minimum the following: (B)

1) Information regarding nutrition and diet control measures which are dental health oriented.

2) Instruction in proper oral hygiene methods.

3) Instruction concerning the importance of maintenance of proper oral hygiene and where appropriate including family members (as in the case of residents leaving the long-term care facility).

b) The direct care staff shall receive in-service education annually. This will be provided by a dentist or a dental hygienist. (B)

1) Direct care staff shall be educated in ultrasonic or manual denture and partial denture cleaning techniques.

2) Direct care staff shall be educated in proper brushing and oral health care for residents who are unable to care for their own health.

3) Direct care staff shall be educated in examining the mouth in order to recognize abnormal conditions for necessary referral.

4) Direct care staff shall be educated regarding nutrition and diet control measures and the effect on dental health.

5) Supplemental dental training films shall be included with any other health training films seen on a rotating basis.

c) The long-term care facility's dental program shall provide for each resident having proper daily personal dental hygiene attention, with the nursing staff responsible for continuity of care which includes, but is not limited to, the following: (B)

1) Assistance in cleaning mouth with electric or hand brush if resident is unable to do so.

2) Weekly ultrasonic cleaning of dentures and partials is strongly recommended.

d) There shall be comprehensive treatment services for all residents which include, but are not limited to, the following: (B)

1) Provision for dental treatment

2) Provision for emergency treatment by a qualified dentist

e) Each facility shall have a denture and dental prosthesis marking system which takes into account the identification marking system contained in Section 49 of the Illinois Dental Practice Act (Ill. Rev. Stat. 1987, ch. 111, par. 2349). Policies and Procedures shall be written and contained in the facility's Policies and Procedure Manual. It shall include, at a minimum, provisions for: (B)

1) Marking individual dentures or dental protheses, if not marked prior to admission to the facility, within ten days of admittance; and

2) individually marked denture cups for denture storage at night.

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