**Section 370.1610 Maintenance**

a) Every facility shall have an effective plan for maintenance including sufficient staff, appropriate equipment and adequate supplies. Each facility shall:

1) Maintain the building in good repair and free of the following: cracks in floors, walls or ceilings; peeling wallpaper or paint; warped or loose boards; warped, broken, loose or cracked floor covering, such as tile or linoleum; loose handrails or railings; loose or broken window panes; and any other similar hazards.

2) Maintain all electrical, signaling, mechanical, water supply, heating, fire protection and sewage disposal systems in a safe and functioning condition. This shall include regular inspections of these systems.

3) Maintain all electrical cords and appliances in a safe and functioning condition.

4) Maintain the interior and exterior finishes of the building as needed to keep it attractive, clean, and safe. (Painting, washing, etc.)

5) Maintain all furniture and furnishings in a clean, attractive, and safely repaired condition.

6) Maintain the grounds and other buildings on the grounds in a safe, sanitary and presentable condition.

7) The building and grounds shall be kept free of any possible infestations of insects and rodents by: eliminating sites of breeding and harborage inside and outside the building; eliminating sites of entry into the building with screens of not less than 16 mesh to the inch and repair of any breaks in construction.

b)

1) Maintain all plumbing fixtures and piping in good repair and properly functioning.

2) Protect the potable water supply from contamination by providing and properly installing adequate, backflow protection devices or providing adequate air gaps on all fixtures that may be subject to backflow or back siphonage.