**Section 299.700 Special Management Status Standards**

Standards for living conditions in Special Management Status shall include the following:

a) Residents in SMS shall be permitted personal property as allowed and ordered by the Program Director for safety and security reasons.

b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, residents in SMS shall be permitted access to writing instruments, incoming and outgoing mail, legal mail, their legal materials, courts and legal counsel.

c) Residents in SMS shall receive food comparable to that provided to the general population. Approved religious or medical diets shall not be interrupted.

d) Movement outside the special management area shall be permitted as approved by the Program Director after considering safety and security concerns.

e) Healthcare personnel shall visit residents on SMS as often as necessary to address any health related concerns.

f) Requests by a resident to perform religious rituals or other matters of religious observance shall be accommodated when they do not interfere with the health and safety of residents or staff or otherwise pose a risk to overall safety or security of the facility. When a religious observance request is in conflict with reasonable facility rules, an alternate accommodation may be sought..

g) Each resident in SMS shall be contacted by a member of the clinical staff at least once every seven days, or more often if clinically warranted.

h) Continued involvement in sex offender specific treatment and ancillary services may be permitted on an individual basis, as approved by the Program Director after considering the attendant safety and security concerns.

i) Residents shall be afforded the opportunity for a minimum of one hour exercise outside their rooms per week. However, exercise may be temporarily restricted or suspended, unless medically contraindicated, if the Program Director determines the activity to be a threat to the health or safety of any person or to the overall security of the facility.

j) Residents in SMS shall be permitted a shower and shave not less often than once every three days and shall be provided with clean bedding and clothing at least once per week.

k) Residents in SMS shall be permitted reading materials approved by clinical staff and security staff.

l) Residents in SMS shall not be subjected to excessive heat or cold and shall be provided with adequate ventilation, plumbing facilities and light.

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