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SB 1382 (2024) Building Standards for Primary Care Clinics— OSHPD 3 (CBC 1226.6)

Requires Department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI) to establish construction standards for community clinics and rural health clinics in consultation with the CPCA Community Clinics Advisory Committee

Prohibits amended standards from being more restrictive than current construction standards

Requires HCAI to hold at least 2 public meetings for comment on proposed new standards

1226 [OSHDPD 3] TYPES OF LICENSED CLINICS

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SPECIALTY CLINICS - CDPH LICENSE HSC 1204 (b).

SURGICAL CLINICS, CHRONIC DIALYSIS CLINICS, REHABILITATION CLINICS,
ALTERNATIVE BIRTHING CLINICS

PSYCHOLOGY CLINICS - CDPH LICENSE HSC 1204.1

SECTION 1226 [OSHDP 3] CLINICS

1226.1 Scope. The provisions of this section shall apply to ~~primary care clinics, specialty clinics and psychology clinics,~~ licensed by the California Department of Public Health. ~~Primary care clinics include free clinics, community clinics, employee clinics and optometric clinics. Specialty clinics include surgical clinics, chronic dialysis clinics, rehabilitation clinics and alternative birth centers (ABC).~~ This section shall also apply to outpatient clinical services of a hospital when provided in a freestanding building.

1226.2 Application. All new buildings and additions, alterations or repairs to existing buildings and conversion of space to a clinic use within existing buildings, subject to licensure by Licensing and Certification, California Department of Public Health, shall comply with [the](#) applicable [\[OSHDP 3\]](#) provisions of the California Electrical Code, California Mechanical Code, California Plumbing Code, California Fire Code, (Parts 3, 4, 5 and 9 of Title 24) and this section. OSHDP requirements apply to all ~~facilities described above~~ [licensed clinics](#) and [they](#) are not dependent upon Occupancy Group designations. [Also see Section 1.10.3 OSHDP 3 of this code for applicable building standards.](#)

Exception: See Section 1224.2.

~~**1226.2.1 Outpatient clinical services.** Hospitals providing outpatient clinical services and clinics licensed under Health and Safety Code Section 1200 providing services that are not covered by this section shall meet the applicable requirements in Section 1224.~~

~~1226.2.2 Special services. [Renumbered to 1226.2.1.1] A general acute care hospital referenced in Health and Safety Code Section 1255 (d) (3) (E), that provides special services in conformance with Health and Safety Code Section 1255, shall meet all the provisions of Section 1224.28.3 in addition to Section 1226.2. The Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) shall review any proposed construction or alteration for OSHPD compliance.~~

1226.52.1 OUTPATIENT CLINICAL SERVICES OF A HOSPITAL. A licensed hospital may elect to locate certain outpatient services in a freestanding building. To be considered a freestanding building, refer to the California Administrative Code Section 7-111. See Section 309A.5.1 of the California Existing Building Code for eligibility for jurisdiction of the local enforcement agency over freestanding buildings adjacent to hospital buildings. [Outpatient clinical services of a hospital are licensed by the California Department of Public Health pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 1250.](#)

Outpatient clinical services of a hospital provided in a freestanding building are regulated under the banner [OSHPD 3] instead of [OSHPD 1]. ~~These~~ [The services listed in Sections 1226.5.5 through 1226.5.14](#) shall comply with Sections 1226.4.2 through 1226.4.8 ~~and the provisions of this section.~~ Outpatient clinical services of a hospital that are not addressed in the provisions of Section 1226 shall comply with applicable provisions of Section 1224 and/or Section 1228 as if those provisions were repeated in Section 1226.5.

1226.2.1.1 Cardiac catheterization laboratory services. [Renumbered from 1226.2.2] *A general acute care hospital referenced in Health and Safety Code Section 1255 (d) (3) (E), that provides special services in conformance with Health and Safety Code Section 1255, shall meet all the provisions of Section 1224.28.3 in addition to Section 1226.2. The Office of Statewide ~~Health~~ [Hospital](#) Planning and Development (OSHDP) shall review any proposed construction or alteration for OSHDP compliance.*

1226.3 Definitions. Refer to Section 1224.3.

1226.4 General Construction. ~~Clinics and outpatient clinical services under a hospital license shall comply with the provisions under Section 1224.4, General Construction, where applicable, except as supplemented, amended or modified below.~~ [The requirements in this section apply to all licensed clinic types except as modified in those sections. Requirements regarding spaces, rooms, and services for specific licensed clinics are provided in Sections 1226.5 through 1226.12. General construction requirements are applied to licensed clinics based on the services and functions provided. Hospitals providing outpatient clinical services and clinics licensed under Health and Safety Code Section 1200 providing services that are not covered by this section shall meet the applicable requirements in Section 1224.](#)

1226.4.1 Examination and treatment areas, when provided.

1226.4.1.1 Service spaces. Refer to Section 1224.4.2.

1226.4.1.2 Treatment spaces. Refer to Section 1224.4.3.

1226.4.1.3 Examination or treatment room. Refer to Section 1224.4.4.1.

1226.4.1.4 Airborne infection isolation exam/treatment room. Refer to Section 1224.4.4.1.3.

1226.4.2 Miscellaneous requirements, when provided.

1226.4.2.1 Station outlets. When provided, refer to Section 1224.4.6.1.

1226.4.2.2 Gas and vacuum systems. When provided refer to Section 1224.4.6.2.

1226.4.2.3 Hyperbaric facilities. When provided, refer to Section 1224.4.6.3.

1226.4.2.4 Laboratories. Refer to Section 1224.4.6.4.

1226.4.2.5 Nurse call systems. Refer to Section 1224.4.6.5.

~~**1226.4.2.6 Noise reduction.** The noise reduction criteria shown in Table 1224.4.19 shall apply to partitions, floors and ceiling construction in patient treatment areas.~~

1226.4.3 Corridors. Corridor widths shall comply with one of the following requirements depending on the services provided within the clinic.

1226.4.3.1 Outpatient services. Refer to Section 1224.4.7.3

1226.4.3.2 Corridor width. For clinics with bed/gurney patient(s) refer to Section 1224.4.7.1.

1226.4.3.3 Light traffic. Refer Section 1224.4.7.2.

1226.4.3.4 Handrails. For rehabilitation services space, refer to Section 1224.4.7.4.

1226.4.3.5 Contiguous functions. ~~Basic services of a single licensed clinic may be located in separate suites.~~ Each clinic suite shall be contiguous and include internal circulation to access each of the required functions identified for that specific ~~basic~~ service. General construction support spaces of a single licensed clinic may be located in separate suites.

Exceptions:

1. Various support spaces ~~functions~~ including but not limited to reception, waiting, staff support areas such as toilets, storage and lounge may be located outside of the clinic suite with approval from the California Department of Public Health.
2. If toilets and drinking fountain(s) serving the public are provided as part of the overall building features, they need not be provided within the clinic suite.
3. Shared services. Space for general storage, laundry, housekeeping and waste management may be shared with other tenants.

1226.4.4 Doors and door openings.

1226.4.4.1 Patient ~~Toilet~~ room doors. Refer to Section 1224.4.8.1.

1226.4.7.2 Wall bases.

1226.4.7.2.1 Material. Refer to Section 1224.4.11.2.1.

1226.4.7.2.2 Wet cleaning. Refer to Section 1224.4.11.2.2.

1226.4.7.3 Wall finishes. Refer to Section 1224.4.11.3.

1226.4.7.4 Ceilings. Ceiling finishes shall comply with Section 1224.4.11.4 and Table 1224.4.11.

1226.4.7.3 Noise Reduction. The noise reduction criteria shown in Table 1224.4.19 shall apply to partitions, floors and ceiling construction in patient treatment areas.

1226.4.8 Elevators.

1226.4.8.1 Elevator cab requirements. Buildings over one story in height with accommodations or services for patients on floors without grade-level entrance shall provide at least one elevator in compliance with Section 3002.4.

~~**1226.4.8.2 Dimensions.** Elevators used for the routine transport of wheeled stretchers shall have minimum inside platform dimensions of 5 feet by 8 feet (1524 mm by 2438 mm) and a minimum clear door opening of 3 feet 8 inches (1118 mm).~~

1226.4.8.2 Dimensions. When a licensed clinic provides services that require patients to be transported in wheeled stretchers, at least one elevator shall have a minimum inside platform dimension of 5 feet by 8 feet (1524 mm by 2438 mm) and a minimum clear door opening of 3 feet 8 inches (1118 mm).

1226.4.10 Compactors, when provided. Trash compactor systems shall meet the drainage and wash-down requirements under Section 1226.4.9.2, Items 1 and 2.

Exception: If a dumpster system is proposed, operational procedures for handling and storage must be specifically approved by the local health officials.

1226.4.11 Housekeeping room. Refer to Section 1224.4.15.

1226.4.12 Laundry and trash chutes, when provided. Gravity-type laundry and trash chutes shall comply with Section 1224.4.16.

1226.4.13 Support areas for examination and treatment rooms, when provided.

1226.4.13.1 Nurse station(s). If required, this area shall have space for counters and storage and shall have direct access to a handwashing stations (refer to Section 1224.3 for definition of handwashing station). It may be combined with or include centers for reception, charting and communication.

1226.4.13.2 Medication station. Provisions shall be made for the distribution of medications. This shall be done from a medicine preparation room or area, or a self-contained medicine dispensing unit.

1226.4.13.2.1 Medication preparation room or area. When provided, the entry of the medication preparation room or area shall be under the visual control of the staff. This may be a part of the nurse station and shall include all of the following:

1. Work counter
- ~~2. Sink~~
- ~~3. 2. Lockable refrigerator~~
4. ~~3.~~ Immediate access to handwashing station
- ~~5. 4. Locked storage for biologicals and drugs~~

When a medication preparation room or area is to be used to store self-contained medication dispensing units, the room shall be designed with adequate space to prepare medications with the self-contained medication-dispensing units present.

1226.4.13.2.2 Self-contained medicine-dispensing unit. When provided, the location of a self-contained medicine-dispensing unit shall be permitted in the clean workroom or at the administrative center or nurse station, provided there is adequate security for medications and adequate lighting to easily identify drugs. Immediate access to a handwashing station shall be provided.

1226.4.13.4 Soiled workroom or soiled holding room. *Soiled workroom or soiled holding room shall be provided and contain:*

1. *Clinical* sink

Exception: *For primary care clinics, a utility sink or patient toilet room equipped with a bedpan flushing device may be provided in lieu of a clinical sink. A utility sink may be used for soaking or rinsing and shall be provided as appropriate to the method of decontamination used.*

2. *Handwashing station*

3. *Work counter*

4. *Storage cabinets*

5. *A designated area for waste receptacle(s)*

6. *A designated area for soiled linen receptacle(s)*

If the clinic includes a central sterile supply that complies with Section 1224.22 and the soiled holding room is used only for temporary holding of soiled materials, the clinical sink and work counter may be omitted. Where rooms are used for temporary holding of materials, provisions shall be made for separate collection, storage and disposal of soiled materials. Soiled and clean utility rooms or holding rooms shall be separated and have no direct connection.

1226.4.13.5 Sterile and pharmaceutical supply storage, when provided. *Separate storage for sterile supplies and pharmaceutical supplies shall be provided.*

1226.4.13.6 Sterilization facilities, when provided. *~~When provided, an A~~ sterilization facility shall meet the following applicable requirements:*

1226.4.13.6.1 Storage. *Each facility shall provide space for the storage of disposable sterile supplies or provide space for sterilization and disinfection equipment.*

Exception: *Facilities with contractual arrangements for outside autoclaving and sterilizing services.*

1226.4.13.7 Nourishment room, when provided. ~~When provided, t~~ The nourishment room or area shall have all of the following:

1. Sink
2. Work counter
3. Refrigerator
4. Storage cabinets
5. Equipment for serving nourishment
6. A handwashing station, as defined in Section 1224.3, shall be located in the nourishment room or be immediately accessible without going through a door.

1226.4.14 Support areas for patients.

1226.4.14.1 Patient toilet room(s). Toilet room(s) with a lavatory shall be provided separate from public use toilet(s) and shall be located to permit access from patient care areas without passing through publicly accessible areas.

Exception: For ~~primary care~~ clinics where the facility contains no more than three examination and/or treatment rooms, the patient toilet room shall be permitted to serve outpatient waiting room(s).

1226.4.14.2 Specimen and/or blood collection facilities, when provided. ~~When provided, r~~ Refer to Section 1224.4.4.3. Use of patient toilet room(s) shall be permitted for specimen collection.

1226.4.17 Support areas for staff.

1226.4.17.1 Staff toilet(s). Provide staff toilet(s) in addition to and separate from, public and patient facilities. The areas shall contain toilet(s) and handwashing stations pursuant to the California Plumbing Code, Table 4-2.

1226.4.17.2 Storage for employees. Provide storage for staff personal effects with locking drawers or cabinets (may be individual desks or cabinets). Such storage shall be readily accessible to individual workstations and shall be staff controlled.

1226.4.17.3 Staff lounge, when provided. ~~When provided, t~~The lounge shall have adequate space to accommodate staff.

~~OUTPATIENT CLINICAL SERVICES OF A HOSPITAL~~

1226.5 SERVICE SPACES, WHEN PROVIDED, FOR OUTPATIENT CLINICAL SERVICES OF A HOSPITAL. *[The scoping language moved to new section 1226.2.1]* See Section 1226.2.1 for application and Section 1226.4 General construction.

~~GENERAL SUPPORT AREAS FOR OUTPATIENT CLINICAL SERVICES~~ - *Requirements for all service types.*

1226.5.1 Support areas for patients.

1226.5.1.1 Patient toilet room(s). Refer to Section 1226.4.14.1.

1226.5.1.2 Specimen and/or blood collection facilities. When provided, refer to Section 1224.4.4.23.

Throughout 1226.5, each service space is change to remove When provided because it is in the charging language:

1226.5.5 Radiological/imaging service space. ~~When~~ X-ray examination services, computerized tomography scanning, magnetic resonance imaging, ultrasound and/or mammography services are provided, the radiological/imaging services space shall comply with the provisions of this section.

PRIMARY CARE CLINICS

1226.6 PRIMARY CARE CLINICS. *Primary care clinics and outpatient clinical services of a hospital providing services equivalent to a primary care clinic shall comply with Sections 1226.4.3 through 1226.4.8 and the provisions of this section. [Primary care clinics licensed by the California Department of Public Health pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 1204 \(a\) may include free clinics and community clinics.](#)*

1226.6.1 Examination and treatment areas.

1226.6.1.1 Examination room(s). *Refer to Section 1224.4.4.1.*

1226.6.1.2 Treatment room(s), [when provided](#). *Treatment room(s) for minor procedures (e.g., minor surgical procedures, casting), ~~if provided~~, shall have a minimum area of 120 square feet (11.15 m²), the least dimension of which shall be a minimum of 10 feet (3048 mm), excluding such spaces as vestibules and work counters, and shall meet the requirements in Section 1224.4.4.1.*

[renumbered to 1226.6.7 and appropriate subsections] **~~1226.6.1.3~~ Dental examination and treatment areas.** *When provided, the examination and treatment space shall be permitted to be a room or a patient care station in an open treatment area.*

1226.6.2.6 Sterilization facilities, when provided. ~~If~~ When sterile processing and/or high level disinfection is provided, the sterile processing room shall consist of a decontamination area and a clean work area. The sterile processing/high level disinfection room shall be designed to provide one-way flow of contaminated materials/instruments to the sterilizer/high level disinfection equipment. Sterile/high level disinfected instruments should be distributed from the area in such a manner that processed items do not pass through the decontamination area.

[renumbered to an appropriate subsection in 1226.6.7] ~~1226.6.2.7~~
Laboratory. Facilities for laboratory services shall be provided in dental facilities or through a contract arrangement with a laboratory service.

1226.6.5.1 Public area.

1226.6.5.1.1 Reception. *Refer to Section 1226.4.16.1.1.*

1226.6.5.1.2 Outpatient waiting room. *The outpatient waiting room shall comply with* ~~*Refer to Section 1224.4.5.*~~ *except as supplemented, amended or modified below.*

1226.6.5.1.3 Public toilet(s). ~~*Refer to Section 1224.4.5.*~~ *Refer to California Plumbing Code Section 422.3.1.*

1226.6.5.1.4 Public telephone access. *A telecommunication device shall be readily accessible for public use.* ~~*Refer to Section 1224.4.5.*~~

1226.6.5.1.5 Drinking water fountain(s). *Drinking water shall be readily accessible.* ~~*Refer to Section 1224.4.5.*~~

1226.6.7 Dental examination and treatment areas. When provided, the examination and treatment space shall be permitted to be a room or a patient care station in an open treatment area.

1226.6.1.3.17.1 Area. The treatment space shall have a minimum clear floor area of 80 square feet (7.4 m²). This space is required for each station in an open operator or treatment area. A minimum of 3 feet (915 mm) clearance shall be provided along the full length of one side of the chair, the head of the chair, and between the cuspidor and the head of the chair on the other side for assisting dental staff.

1226.6.1.3.27.2 Pediatric patients. At least one private consultation/treatment room shall be provided when pediatric patients are treated in a facility.

1226.6.1.3.37.3 Handwashing. Each treatment room shall include a handwashing station. If treatment is provided at stations in an open operator, a handwashing station may be permitted to serve two treatment stations.

1226.6.1.3.47.4 Imaging. If provided, the space for a dental panoramic x-ray system and printer shall comply with shielding requirements in Section 1226.5.5.2 and alcove requirements in Section 1224.18.1.1.

1226.6.2.57.5 Consultation room. Dental facilities must provide a consultation room for private conferences with patients.

~~1226.6.2.7~~7.6 Laboratory. *Facilities for laboratory services shall be provided in dental facilities or through a contract arrangement with a laboratory service.*

~~1226.6.1.4~~7.7 Oral surgery. *When provided, treatment areas for procedures for which general anesthesia is used on more than five patients at a time shall comply with the requirements in Section 1226.8.*

1226.6.7.8 Sterilization facilities. *When provided, refer to Section 1226.6.2.7.*

1226.7 Reserved.

SPECIALTY CLINICS. Sections 1226.8 through 1228.11 apply to specialty clinics licensed by the California Department of Public Health pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 1204 (b). Specialty clinics shall comply with Sections 1226.4.2 through 1226.4.8 and the provisions of their respective sections.

SURGICAL CLINICS

1226.8 SURGICAL CLINICS. Outpatient surgical clinics, and outpatient clinical services of a hospital providing services equivalent to a surgical clinic, shall comply with Sections 1226.4.2 through 1226.4.8 and the provisions of this section.

1226.8.5 Public and administrative areas.

1226.8.5.1 Public area.

1226.8.5.1.1 Reception. *Refer to Section 1226.4.16.1.1.*

1226.8.5.1.2 Outpatient waiting room. *The outpatient waiting room shall comply with*
~~Refer to~~ Section 1224.4.5. except as supplemented, amended or modified as below.

1226.8.5.1.3 Public toilet(s). *~~Refer to Section 1224.4.5.~~ Refer to California Plumbing Code Section 422.3.1.*

1226.8.5.1.4 Public telephone access. *A telecommunication device shall be readily accessible for public use. ~~Refer to Section 1224.4.5.~~*

1226.8.5.1.5 Drinking water fountain(s). *Drinking water shall be readily accessible.*
~~Refer to Section 1224.4.5.~~

1226.8.5.2 Administrative services

1226.8.5.2.1 Medical records storage. *Refer to Section 1226.4.16.2.1.*

1226.9 CHRONIC DIALYSIS CLINICS.

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1226.9.1.3 Individual patient treatment areas. Individual patient treatment areas shall contain at least 80 square feet (7.44 m²). There shall be at least a clearance of 4-foot (1219 mm) ~~space around and~~ between the sides of beds and/or lounge chairs, or any fixed obstructions. A minimum clearance of 4-foot (1219 mm) shall be available at the foot of each bed or lounge chair to permit the passage of equipment and beds. In addition, the following shall be provided:

1226.10 REHABILITATION CLINICS.

1226.10.1.1 Patient toilet room(s). Toilet room(s) with a lavatory shall be provided separate from public use toilet(s) and shall be located to permit access from patient care areas without passing through publicly accessible areas. Grab bars shall be installed on both sides of the toilet. ~~Refer to Section 1226.4.14.1~~

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1226.10.3 Public and administrative.

1226.10.3.1 Public area.

1226.10.3.1.1 Reception. ~~Refer to Section 1226.4.16.1.1.~~

1226.10.3.1.2 Outpatient waiting room. The outpatient waiting room shall comply with ~~Refer to Section 1224.4.5.~~ except as supplemented, amended or modified as below.

1226.10.3.1.3 Toilets. ~~Refer to Section 1224.4.5.~~ Refer to California Plumbing Code Section 422.3.1.

1226.10.3.1.4 Drinking ~~water fountain~~. Drinking water shall be readily accessible. ~~Refer to Section 1224.4.5.~~

1226.10.3.1.5 Telephone. A telecommunication device shall be readily accessible for public use. ~~Refer to Section 1224.4.5.~~

ALTERNATIVE BIRTHING CLINICS [modifications to be made per OSHPD in consultation with ABC Committee]

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PSYCHOLOGY CLINICS

1226.12 PSYCHOLOGY CLINICS. *Psychology clinics are licensed by the California Department of Public Health pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 1204.1* *Psychology clinics and outpatient clinical services of a hospital providing services equivalent to a psychology clinic shall comply with Sections 1226.4.3 through 1226.4.8 and the provisions of this section.*

1226.12.1.1.2 Outpatient waiting room. The outpatient waiting room shall comply with ~~Refer to~~ Section 1224.4.5. except as supplemented, amended or modified below.

1226.12.1.1.3 Public toilet(s). ~~Refer to Section 1224.4.5.~~ Refer to California Plumbing Code Section 422.3.1.

1226.12.1.1.4 Drinking water fountain. Drinking water shall be readily accessible. ~~Refer to Section 1224.4.5.~~

1226.12.1.1.5 Public telephone. A telecommunication device shall be readily accessible for public use. ~~Refer to Section 1224.4.5.~~

Alternative Birthing Clinics – OSHPD 3 (CBC 1226.11)

Increasing concerns about access to birth services in California
Challenges ABCs face for Title 24 compliance and CDPH licensure

Since 2012, total of 56 hospitals removed labor and delivery services
CA hospitals close maternity wards faster than U.S.rate – CalMatters

Challenges ABCs face for Title 24 compliance and CDPH licensure

Chapter 12 INTERIOR ENVIRONMENT

SECTION 1226.11 ALTERNATIVE BIRTHING CLINICS

[OSH PD 3]

1226.11 ALTERNATIVE BIRTHING CLINICS. *Alternative birthing clinics and outpatient clinical services of a hospital [or primary care clinics](#) providing services equivalent to alternative birthing clinics shall comply with Sections 1226.4.3 through 1226.4.8 and the provisions of this section. Alternative birthing clinics are [licensed by the California Department of Public Health pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 1204 \(b\)\(4\)](#). A Primary Care Clinic licensed by the California Department of Public Health pursuant to [Health and Safety Code section 1204 \(a\)](#) may provide services as an alternative birth center.*

1226.11.1 Birthing service space.

1226.11.1.1 Birthing room. *A birthing room shall have a minimum clear floor area of [120](#) ~~200~~ square feet ([11.15](#) ~~18.58~~ square meters), including the newborn care area. A birthing room shall have a minimum clear dimension of [10](#) ~~12~~ feet ([3048](#) ~~3658~~ mm). The maximum number of beds per room shall be one.*

1226.11.1.2 Location. *Birthing rooms shall be located out of the path of unrelated traffic and under direct supervision of the facility staff.*

1226.11.1.3 Nurse call system. *A nurse call system shall be located in the birthing room which will alert the nearest continually staffed administrative center or nurse station. Refer to Section 1224.4.6.5 for requirements.*

Exception: *Alternative birthing clinics with three (3) or fewer birthing rooms may use alternative call methods as approved by the California Department of Public Health, Licensing and Certification.*

TABLE 1224.4.6.5
[OSHDP 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5] LOCATION OF NURSE CALL DEVICES
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AREA DESIGNATION	STATION TYPE	1224	1225	1226	1227	1228
<i>Delivery room/Birthing room</i>	<i>E,C</i>	•		•	•	
<i>Observation unit bed/gurney</i>	<i>P,E,C</i>	•			•	
<i>Pre-op patient care</i>	<i>P,E,C</i>	•		•	•	
<i>Post-op patient care/PACU</i>	<i>P,E,C</i>	•		•	•	
<i>Imaging exam/procedure room</i>	<i>E,C</i>	•		•	•	
<i>Procedure Room, including Endoscopy</i>	<i>E,C</i>	•		•	•	
<i>Patient toilet room</i>	<i>B</i>	•		• ¹	•	
<i>Electroconvulsive therapy</i>	<i>E,C</i>	•			•	•

Station Types

P = Patient Station, B = Bath Station, E = Staff Emergency, C = Code Call, M = Master, D = Duty

1. Not required for Primary Care, Chronic Dialysis, [Alternative Birthing Clinics](#), Rehabilitation or Psychology Clinics.
2. [For Alternative birthing clinics with three \(3\) or fewer birthing rooms, refer to Section 1226.11.1.3.](#)

1226.11.1.4 Hand-washing stations. A handwashing fixture, as defined in Section 1224.3, shall be located within or directly outside the room. If the fixture is located within the room, the fixture may be screened or within openable casework.

1226.11.1.5 Lighting. Lighting capable of 1076 lux (100 footcandles) at working surfaces shall be provided. Dimmer switches may be used.

1226.11.1.6 Window. When an outside window is provided in a ~~Each birthing room, shall have an outside window.~~ Refer to Sections 1224.4.9.4 and 1224.4.9.5.

1226.11.1.7 Privacy. Windows or doors within a normal sightline that would permit observation into the room shall be arranged or draped, as necessary, for mother and newborn privacy.

1226.11.1.8 Reserved -Newborn care area. ~~When provided, a separate newborn care area shall be provided that is in addition to the birthing room.~~

1226.11.1.9 Examination room. When provided, the examination room shall meet the requirements of Section 1224.4.4. 1.1. A birthing room may be used as an examination room.

1226.11.2 Support areas for birthing services

1226.11.2.1 Nurse station. Refer to Section 1226.4.13.1.

1226.11.2.2 Medication station. Refer to Section 1226.4.13.2.

1226.11.2.3 Clean utility room. Refer to Section 1226.4.13.3.

1226.11.2.4 Soiled utility or soiled holding room. Refer to Section 1226.4.13.4.

1226.11.2.5 ~~Crash~~ Emergency cart space. Space for storing ~~crash~~ emergency cart shall be provided.

1226.11.2.6 ~~Reserved~~ Clean-up room. ~~Each birthing room shall have immediate access to a clean-up room with a handwashing station and work space which is separate from any sterilizing facilities. The clean-up room shall provide 24 square feet (2.23 m²) per birthing room up to eight rooms, with no dimensions less than 6 feet (1829 mm).~~

1226.11.2.7 Ice-making equipment. Each facility shall have equipment to provide ice for treatments and nourishment. Ice-making equipment shall be permitted in the clean utility or the nourishment room/area. Ice intended for human consumption shall be provided in the nourishment station and shall be served from self-dispensing ice-makers.

1226.11.2.8 Nourishment room or area. When provided, refer to Section 1226.4.13.7.

1226.11.2.9 Medical gas outlets. When provided, oxygen and suction capabilities may be portable or piped.

1226.11.3 Reserved. ~~Support areas for mother and newborn.~~

1226.11.2.103.1 Patient toilet room(s). Each birthing room shall have direct access to a private toilet room with lavatory, and shower or tub ~~and nurse call system.~~
Facilities for cleaning bedpans shall be provided in the toilet room.

1226.11.4 General support services and facilities.

1226.11.4.1 Housekeeping room. Refer to Section 1224.4.15.

1226.11.4.2 Garbage, solid waste, medical waste and trash storage. Refer to Section 1226.4.9.

1226.11.4.3 Areas for off-site laundry services. Refer to Section 1226.4.15.1.

1226.11.5 Public and administrative areas.

1226.11.5.1 Public area.

1226.11.5.1.1 Reception. Refer to Section 1226.4.16.1.1.

1226.11.5.1.2 Outpatient waiting room. The outpatient waiting room shall comply with ~~Refer to Section 1224.4.5.~~ except as supplemented, amended or modified below.

1226.11.5.1.3 Public toilet(s). ~~Refer to Section 1224.4.5.~~ Refer to California Plumbing Code Section 422.3.1.

1226.11.5.1.4 Public telephone. A telecommunication device shall be readily accessible for public use. ~~Refer to Section 1224.4.5.~~

1226.11.5.1.5 Drinking water fountain. Drinking water shall be readily accessible. ~~Refer to Section 1224.4.5.~~

1226.11.5.2 Administrative services.

1226.11.5.2.1 Medical records storage. Refer to Section 1226.4.16.2.1.

1226.11.5.2.2 Equipment and supply storage. Refer to 1226.4.16.2.2.

1226.11.6 Support areas for staff.

1226.11.6.1 Staff toilet(s). *Refer to Section 1226.4.17.1.*

1226.11.6.2 Storage for employees. *Refer to Section 1226.4.17.2.*

1226.11.6.3 Staff lounge. ~~*Refer to Section 1226.4.17.3.*~~ *The lounge shall have adequate space to accommodate staff.*

1226.11.6.4 Staff clothing change area. *When provided, a changing room with shower shall be provided for staff to change into work attire.*

Empath/ Behavioral Health/ Crisis Stabilization regulations

Physical Space Design Concepts for Crisis Stabilization Units in Hospitals

- Outpatient service outside of any Inpatient Unit and not part of the Emergency Department
- Calming, healing environment that prioritizes safety and freedom
- Large, open space where patients can be together in the same room
- Designed to facilitate socialization, discussion, interaction and therapy
- Patient care stations utilizing a chair model outfitted with recliners
- Open staff observation station with instant access to staff, separate from the patients
- Nourishment area or room for providing food and drinks for patients
- Voluntary Calming Rooms – If provided with visual observation for staff

CHAPTER 12 INTERIOR ENVIRONMENT

NEW SECTION 1224.39.7

1224.39.7 OUTPATIENT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH OBSERVATION UNITS.

1224.39.7.1 General. *If provided, specific application shall respond to the patient injury and suicide prevention component of the Patient Safety Risk Assessment prepared under California Administrative Code (Part 1 of Title 24) Section 7-119. Outpatient behavioral health observation unit(s) shall comply with the following:*

1224.39.7.2 Location. *The unit shall be located outside of any inpatient unit and not part of the Emergency Department. Location shall be in compliance with Section 1224.4.3. Corridor systems shall connect the unit to all Basic and applicable Supplemental Services.*

1224.39.7.3 Signage. *The unit shall be marked with a sign identifying the unit as an outpatient unit. The signage shall use the term “outpatient” in the title of the designated area.*

1224.39.7.4. Patient care stations.

1. Single-patient rooms. *Single-patient rooms shall be a minimum of 80 square feet (7.43 m²) with a minimum clear dimension of 10 feet (3048 mm). A minimum distance of 3 feet (914 mm) shall be provided between the sides and foot of the bed and any wall or other fixed obstructions. A handwashing station shall be located in each room.*

2. Multi-patient rooms or observation areas . *Patient care stations with a minimum clear floor area of 40 square feet (12.19m²), with a minimum width of 5 feet, 6 inches (1676 mm), shall be provided under the visual control of a behavioral health observation station. The dimensions and arrangement of rooms with multiple lounge chairs shall be such that there is a minimum of 3 feet (914 mm) clearance between the sides of lounge chairs and any wall or any other fixed obstruction. A minimum clearance of 3 feet (914 mm) shall be provided between lounge chairs, and a clearance of 4 feet (1219 mm) shall be available at the foot of each lounge chair to permit the passage of equipment and beds.*

1224.39.7.4.1 Circulation. *Rooms with multiple patient stations shall provide area and space for limited activities, such as pacing or small group therapy. Additional space may be required as described in the functional program.*

1224.39.7.4.2 Handwashing stations. *At least one handwashing station shall be provided for every eight patient stations, and for each major fraction thereof, in multi-patient areas. These shall be uniformly distributed to provide equal access from each patient station.*

1224.39.7.5. Behavioral health observation station or nurse station. An open observation station positioned and sized to meet the behavioral health program requirements shall be provided to allow staff to observe patient care stations and areas. A handwashing station shall be provided at each observation station.

1224.39.7.6. Patient toilet room(s). A minimum of one toilet room shall be provided for each six patient care stations and for each major fraction thereof. Patient toilet room(s) shall be equipped with a handwashing station and shall be immediately accessible to the observation unit(s) from the corridor. Patient toilet rooms shall have durable, tamper-resistant fixtures, finishes, and hardware, and an anti-barricade door in accordance with 1224.4.8.1.

1224.39.7.7. Patient shower room(s). A minimum of one shower room shall be provided readily accessible to the unit.

1224.39.7.8 Multipurpose room. *A minimum of one multipurpose room shall be provided for staff, patients and/or patients' families for uses such as patient conferences, reports, education, training sessions and consultation. Room must be readily accessible to the observation unit(s). One such room may be shared and serve several units and/or departments.*

1224.39.7.9. Consultation room(s). *Where provided, the consultation room shall have a minimum clear floor area of 100 square feet (9.29 m²) and shall be designed for acoustic and visual privacy.*

1224.39.7.10. Examination or treatment room(s). *Examination or treatment rooms are optional. If provided, examination and/or treatment rooms must be readily accessible, but may be shared with other units or compatible departments. Provisions shall be made to preserve patient privacy from observation from outside the exam room through an open door. The room shall have a minimum area of 80 square feet (7.43 m²), the least dimension of which is 8 feet (2438 mm).*

1224.39.7.11. Quiet rooms. *If no single-station patient rooms are provided, a quiet room shall be provided. The quiet room shall be 80 square feet (7.43 m²) minimum with visual observation for staff. A toilet room shall be immediately accessible to the quiet room(s).*

1224.39.7.12. Seclusion room. *If required by the Patient Safety Risk Assessment, a seclusion room shall be provided. Seclusion rooms shall have a minimum clear floor area of 60 square feet (5.57 m²) with a minimum wall length of 7 feet (2134 millimeters) and a maximum wall length of 12 feet (3658 millimeters). The room shall be designed to prevent injury to patients.*

1224.39.7.13. Medication station(s). *Medication station(s) shall be in conformance with Section 1224.4.4.4 and shall be visible from the behavioral health observation station.*

1224.39.7.14. Nourishment area. *A nourishment area, in conformance with Section 1224.4.4.5, shall be provided within the unit.*

1224.39.7.15. Clean utility room. *A clean utility/workroom, in conformance with Section 1224.4.4.6, shall be provided within the unit.*

1224.39.7.16. Soiled workroom. *A soiled workroom or soiled holding room, in conformance with Section 1224.4.4.7, shall be provided within the unit.*

1224.39.7.17. Clean linen storage. *Clean linen storage shall be provided. It may be within the clean utility room or a separate closet.*

1224.39.7.18 Ice machine. *An ice machine shall be provided for treatment and nourishment. Icemaking equipment may be in the clean utility room/holding room or at the nourishment station. Ice intended for human consumption shall be from self-dispensing icemakers.*

1224.39.7.19. Housekeeping room. *A housekeeping room must be readily accessible but may be shared with other units and/or departments.*

1224.39.7.20. Support areas for families and visitors. A waiting area shall be provided with access to public toilet room facilities, a public telephone, and a drinking fountain. These facilities may be shared with other services.

1224.39.7.21 Support areas for staff. All staff support areas shall be directly accessible to the behavioral health observation unit.

1224.39.7.21.1 Staff toilet room. Readily accessible staff toilet room(s) shall be provided.

1224.39.7.21.2 Supervisor's office. A separate room shall be provided for the unit supervisor's office. The office shall be a minimum of 80 square feet (7.43m²) and have a desk.

1224.39.7.21.3 Staff lounge. A staff lounge shall be provided.

Miscellaneous code changes

- Chapter 3-7 - Possible I-2 related amendments; coordinate with the SFM
- Section 407.4.1 - direct access to corridor may need an exception allowing an intervening room or anteroom – coordinate with SFM
- Chapter 11B – Correct 11B-223-2.3 reference to 11B-805 (medical care and long-term care) instead of 806 (transient lodging) - coordinate with the DSA-AC
- Chapter 11B – clarify sink types listed in 11B-805 for non-patient care areas of medical facilities - coordinate with the DSA-AC
- Section 1202.2 –ventilation for attic spaces - coordinate with DSA-SS

SECTION 1224 [OSHPPD 1] - HOSPITALS

1224.3 Definitions.

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LOCATION TERMINOLOGY *(terms for relationship to an area or room)...* [no change]

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LOUNGE CHAIR. *A specialized medical chair designed for patients undergoing examination or treatment. These chairs prioritize comfort and support during long treatment sessions and often include features like adjustable positions and padded armrests, such as medical recliners.*

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TABLE 1224.4.6.1 STATION OUTLETS FOR OXYGEN, VACUUM (SUCTION) AND MEDICAL AIR SYSTEMS

TABLE 1224.4.6.1—STATION OUTLETS FOR OXYGEN, VACUUM (SUCTION) AND MEDICAL AIR SYSTEMS ^{1, 6}						
	LOCATIONS	OXYGEN	VACUUM	MEDICAL AIR	WAGD ³	INSTRUMENT AIR
24
25	Infant resuscitation space(cesarean delivery) ⁴	3/bassinet	3/bassinet	3/bassinet	—	—
26	Infant resuscitation space(LDRP) ⁴	1/bassinet	1/bassinet	1/bassinet	—	—
2627	Labor room	1/room	1/room	—	—	—
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2627	Labor room	1/room	1/room	—	—	—
3637	Cardiac catheterization lab	2/bed	2/bed	21/bed	1/room	—
3738	Autopsy room	—	1/workstation	—	—	—
3839	MRI	1/room	1/room	1/room	—	—
3940	Procedure room and Class 2 imaging room	2/room	2/room	1/room	—	—
4041	Hyperbaric suite pre-procedure/patient holding area	2/station	2/station	—	—	—
4142	Electroconvulsive therapy procedure room	1/room ⁷	1/room ⁷	—	—	—
4243	Central sterile—soiled work area	—	—	—	—	^{1, 9, 10}
4344	Central sterile—clean work area	—	—	—	—	— ^{9, 10}
4445	GI—processing room	—	— ¹¹	—	—	— ^{9, 10, 11}

TABLE 1224.4.6.1 STATION OUTLETS FOR OXYGEN, VACUUM (SUCTION) AND MEDICAL AIR SYSTEMS

1. *For any area or room not described above, the facility clinical staff shall determine outlet requirements after consultation with the enforcing agency.*
2. *Four bassinets may share one outlet that is accessible to each bassinet.*
3. ~~WAGD stands for “waste anesthesia gas disposal” system~~
Where inhalation anesthesia is used, a waste anesthesia gas disposal (WAGD) system shall be provided.
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SECTION 1224.4 GENERAL CONSTRUCTION [OSHDP 1]

Table 1224.4.6.5 LOCATION OF NURSE CALL DEVICES

TABLE 1224.4.6.5—[OSHDP 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5] LOCATION OF NURSE CALL DEVICES

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AREA DESIGNATION	STATION TYPE	1224	1225	1226	1227	1228
Nursing Units						
Patient toilet room	B	•	•		•	
Patient bathing	B	•	•		•	
Special bathing	E	•				
Patient bed (nursing service)	<u>P,E,C</u>	•			•	
Patient bed (intensive care)	<u>P,E,C</u>	•			•	
Patient bed (LDR/LDRP)	<u>P,E,C</u>	•			•	
Patient bed (Dementia Unit)	P	•	•		•	
Patient bed (SNF/ICF)	P	•	•		•	
NICU	<u>E,C</u>	•			•	
Nursery	<u>E,C</u>	•			•	
Support Areas						
Nurse/control station	M	•	•	•	•	•
Medication preparation room	D	•			•	
Soiled workroom/utility/holding	D	•			•	
Clean workroom/utility/holding	D	•			•	

Diagnostic and Treatment Areas						
Seclusion room or vestibule	<u>E</u>	•				•
Emergency exam, treatment and triage rooms	<u>P,E</u>	•				
Operating room/Cesarean	<u>E,C</u>	•		•	•	
Delivery room/Birthing room	<u>E,C</u>	•		• ²	•	
Observation unit bed/gurney	<u>P,E,C</u>	•			•	
Pre-op patient care	<u>P,E,C</u>	•		•	•	
Post-op patient care/PACU	<u>P,E,C</u>	•		•	•	
Imaging exam/procedure room ³	<u>E,C</u>	•		•	•	
Procedure Room, including Endoscopy	<u>E,C</u>	•		•	•	
Patient toilet room	<u>B</u>	•		• ¹	•	
Electroconvulsive therapy	<u>E,C</u>	•			•	•
Station Types P = Patient Station, B = Bath Station, E = Staff Emergency, C = Code Call, M = Master, D = Duty 1. Not required for Primary Care, Chronic Dialysis, Alternative Birthing clinics , Rehabilitation or Psychology Clinics. 2. For Alternative Birthing Clinics with three (3) or fewer birthing rooms , refer to Section 1226.11.1.3 . 3. For MRI, nurse call devices may be in the MRI control room in lieu of the MRI exam/procedure room.						

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1224.4.11.2.2 Wet cleaning. Floor and wall base assemblies in the following rooms shall be monolithic and have an integral coved wall base that is carried up the wall(s) and all exposed sides of permanently installed casework a minimum of 6 inches (150 mm), ~~is~~ and shall be tightly sealed to the ~~wall~~ fixed surface:

1. Operating rooms
2. Interventional imaging rooms, including cardiac catheterization labs
3. Cesarean delivery rooms
4. Cystoscopy, urology and minor surgical procedure rooms
5. Endoscopy procedure rooms
6. Endoscopy instrument processing rooms
7. IV and chemotherapy preparation rooms
8. Airborne infection isolation (All) rooms
9. Protective environment (PE) rooms
10. Anterooms to All and PE rooms, where provided
11. Cast rooms
12. Sterile processing facility
13. Pharmacy compounding room and anteroom
14. Emergency department trauma room

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1224.15.2.3 Surgical space furnishings. Work surfaces, shelving and casework within restricted rooms identified in Table 1224.4.11.4a shall be constructed of smooth, impervious materials, such as stainless steel or molded plastic, so that they are easily cleaned and disinfected. Plastic laminate over a pervious substrate is not permitted.

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1224.15.3.2 Supervisor's office or station. Office or station shall be a minimum of 80 square feet (7.43m²) and have a desk.

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1224.16.2.3 Handwashing stations.

Handwashing station(s) shall be provided in the preoperative service area at a ratio of one for each 4 patient stations, and for each major fraction thereof, in open bay areas. Handwashing stations shall be uniformly distributed to provide equal access from each patient station. A handwashing station shall be provided in each single care station room.

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1224.17.3 Specimen collection facilities.

1224.17.3.1 General. Space ~~shall~~ may be provided for specimen collection. Facilities for this function shall be located outside the laboratory work area.

1224.17.3.2 Facility Requirements. ~~At a minimum~~ If provided, specimen collection facilities shall have the following:

1. A blood collection area with a work counter, space for patient seating, handwashing station(s) and supply storage.
2. A urine and feces collection facility equipped with a toilet and a handwashing station.

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1224.22.1 Minimum requirements. *A central supply and sterilizing area shall be provided. Rooms or distinct spaces shall accommodate the following services and equipment:*

- 1. Soiled work area.** *A receiving and gross cleaning area which shall contain work space and equipment for cleaning medical and surgical equipment and for disposal of or processing of soiled material. [A clinical sink and a handwashing station shall be provided.](#)*
- 2. Clean work area.** *A clean work area which shall contain [a handwashing station](#), [a](#) work space and equipment for sterilizing medical and surgical equipment and supplies.*

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1224.28.4.7 Reading room. A reading room for reviewing images shall be available for use by the interventional imaging suite. The reading room may be in the interventional imaging suite or located remotely within the hospital building.

1224.28.4.7.1 The reading room shall contain:

1. Workstation task lighting for reading images, adjustable ambient lighting to minimize glare on computer monitors, and overall room illumination for maintenance. The lighting types shall be switched separately.
2. Sound transmission levels that meet Table 1224.4.19. Where multiple workstations are grouped together in one space, sound-deadening materials, finishes, and masking shall be provided.

1224.28.4.7.2 Remote location. Remote location of image interpretation and reading areas shall be permitted, provided radiologists are immediately available when interventional imaging procedures are performed.

SECTION 1224.29 INTENSIVE CARE UNITS

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1224.29.1.15 Support. *The following shall be provided and shall be located immediately accessible to the unit:*

- 1. Visitors' waiting room.**
- 2. Office space.**
- 3. Staff lounge(s) and toilet room(s).**
- 4. Multipurpose room(s).** *Provide for staff, patients and patients' families for patient conferences, reports, education, training sessions and consultation.*
- 5. Housekeeping room.** *Provide within or immediately accessible to the intensive care unit. It shall not be shared with other nursing units or departments.*
- 6. Gurney and wheelchair storage.** *Provide a minimum 15 square feet (1.39 mm) per each nursing unit. [Note: In NICU, this storage is provided for infant transport incubators and gurneys.](#)*

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1224.32.3.8.2.11 Housekeeping room. *A housekeeping room shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of Section 1224.4.15.*

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SECTION 1224.33 EMERGENCY SERVICES

1224.33.2 Standby Emergency Medical Service.

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1224.33.2.2 Treatment room. Standby emergency service shall include at least one treatment room with the following elements:

1. The area shall not be less than 120 square feet (11.15 m²) of clear floor area, exclusive of toilet room(s), waiting area and storage.
2. Each treatment room shall contain an examination light, [accommodations for written or electronic documentation \(e.g. work counter, mobile work surfaces, mobile work stations with accommodations for documentation\)](#) and handwashing station.
3. Medical equipment, cabinets, medication storage and counter space for writing.

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1224.33.4 Comprehensive emergency medical services.

1224.33.4.2 Fast-track area. *A fast-track area may be used for treating patients presenting simple and less serious conditions. If a fast-track area is provided, it shall meet the following requirements:*

- 1. Space requirements – each fast-track room shall have a minimum 100 square feet (9.29 m²) of clear floor area. In open-bay fast-track areas, each station shall have a minimum 80 square feet (7.4 m²) of clear floor area.*
- 2. Each patient care station shall include [accommodations for written or electronic documentation \(e.g. a work/documentation counter, mobile work surfaces, or mobile work stations with accommodations for documentation\)](#), and an examination light.*
- 3. Each fast-track room shall include a handwashing station. In open-bay fast-track areas, one handwashing station shall be provided for every four beds.*
- 4. Provisions for patient privacy.*
- 5. Storage areas for supplies and medication.*
- 6. A separate procedure room may be provided. It shall have a minimum clear floor area of 120 square feet (11.15 m²).*

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1224.33.2.7.1 Behavioral health observation area.

If provided, a patient station with a minimum clear floor area of 40 square feet (12.19 m²), with a minimum width of 5 feet, 6 inches (1676 mm), shall be provided under the visual control of an emergency service staff work area. The patient station shall have provision for visual privacy from casual observation by other patients and visitors. The dimensions and arrangement of rooms with multiple ~~recliners~~ lounges, beds or gurneys shall be such that there is a minimum of 3 feet (914 mm) clearance on one side. A minimum clearance of 3 feet (914 mm) shall be provided between patient ~~stations~~ lounges, beds or gurneys, and a clearance of 4 feet (1219 mm) shall be available at the foot of each patient ~~station~~ lounge, bed, or gurney to permit the passage of equipment and beds. A handwashing station shall be located in each room, and at least one handwashing station shall be provided for every eight patient stations, and for each major fraction thereof, in open-bay areas. These shall be uniformly distributed to provide equal access from each patient station.

SECTION 1224.35 REHABILITATION THERAPY DEPARTMENT

1224.35.1 Rehabilitation center space. *If provided, a rehabilitation center space shall be designed to meet the requirements of Section 1224.14, except as follows:*

- 1. Patient bedrooms shall contain a minimum of 110 square feet (10.22 m²) of clear floor area per bed, exclusive of toilet room(s), closets, lockers, wardrobes, alcoves or vestibules, with greater space provided for special needs such as circ-o-electric beds.*
- 2. Space for group dining shall be provided at the minimum rate of 20 square feet (1.86 m²) per bed.*
- 3. Space for group recreation or patient's lounge shall be provided at the minimum rate of 20 square feet (1.86 m²) per bed.*
- 4. At least two doors of entry and exit from group activity areas shall be provided, i.e., group dining and recreation areas. All such exit doors shall be equipped with panic hardware.*
- 5. Doors used by wheelchair patients or for the movement of bed and gurney patients shall provide a minimum clear opening width of 44 inches (1118 mm).*
- ~~6.~~ 4. Space for staff conferences, patient evaluation and progress reports.*
- ~~7.~~ 5. A classroom space.*
- ~~8.~~ 6. Outpatient rehabilitation services shall be provided. An examination and treatment room shall be adjacent or directly accessible to an office for the physician in charge of the outpatient service.*
- ~~9.~~ 7. For outpatient rehabilitation services, a patient waiting area with access to telephone, drinking fountain and men's and women's toilet room facilities shall be in or adjacent to the rehabilitation outpatient service area. Outpatients shall not traverse an inpatient nursing unit.*

~~10. 8.~~ Access to an outside area to be used for therapeutic procedures for patients.

~~11. 9.~~ At least one training toilet room in each patient unit with minimum dimensions of 5 feet by 6 feet (1524 mm by 1829 mm). [Grab bars shall be installed on both sides of the toilet.](#)

~~12. 10.~~ [At least one](#) ~~P~~patient [training](#) bathtubs, ~~where provided,~~ of standard height ([14" to 19"](#)) and located to provide access to both sides and one end of the tub. [Training bathtubs of standard height in the area for teaching daily living activities may not need to provide access to three sides of the bathtub.](#)

~~13. 11.~~ Patient showers, where provided in centralized bathing facilities, shall comply with Section 11B-608.2.2, no dimension of which shall be less than 4 feet (1219 mm), be equipped with handrails, privacy curtains, and designed for ease of accessibility. The floor shall be sloped to provide drainage.

~~14. 12.~~ As a minimum, physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy shall be provided. The space for these individual services shall be designed to meet the requirement of Sections 1224.35.2, 1224.35.3, and 1224.35.4, respectively.

1224.35.2 Physical therapy service space. *If physical therapy is part of the service, the following shall be included:*

1. *The minimum floor area for a physical therapy space shall be 300 square feet (27.87 m²) with no dimensions less than 12 feet (3658 mm) in addition to any provided therapy stations. Each individual patient care station shall have a minimum clear floor area of 60 square feet (5.57 m²), except individual patient care stations formed with permanent partitions shall have a minimum clear floor area of 80 square feet (7.43 m²). Each individual patient care station shall have privacy screens or curtains.*
2. *Handwashing stations for staff shall be provided in each treatment room. At least one handwashing station shall be provided for every four patient care stations, and for every major fraction thereof, in an open treatment area. One handwashing station may serve several treatment stations.*
3. *Exercise area and facilities.*
4. *Clean linen and towel storage.*
5. *Storage for equipment and supplies.*
6. *Separate storage for soiled linen, towels and supplies.*
7. *A patient toilet room shall be immediately accessible. Grab bars shall be installed on both sides of the toilet.*

Exception: *When approved by the licensing agency small or rural hospitals are exempt from Sections 1224.35.2.1 through 1224.35.2.6.*

1224.35.3 Occupational therapy service space. *If this service is provided, the following shall be included:*

1. The minimum floor area for an occupational therapy space shall be 300 square feet (27.87 m²) with no dimensions less than 12 feet (3658 mm) in addition to any provided therapy stations. Each individual patient care station shall have a minimum clear floor area of 60 square feet (5.57 m²), except individual patient care stations formed with permanent partitions shall have a minimum clear floor area of 80 square feet (7.43 m²). Each individual patient care station shall have privacy screens or curtains.
- ~~2.—1.~~ *Work areas and counters suitable for wheelchair access.*
- ~~3.—2.~~ *Handwashing stations.*
- ~~4.—3.~~ *Storage for supplies and equipment.*
- ~~5.—4.~~ *An area for teaching daily living activities shall be provided. It shall contain an area for a bed, kitchen counter with appliances and sink, bathroom and a table/chair.*
6. Grab bars shall be installed on both sides of the toilet.

SECTION 1224.36 RENAL DIALYSIS SERVICE SPACE (ACUTE AND CHRONIC)

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1224.36.2 Treatment area.

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1224.36.2.3 Individual patient treatment areas. Shall contain at least 80 square feet (7.44 m²). There shall be at least a clearance of 4-foot (1219 mm) ~~space around and between~~ the sides of beds and/or lounge chairs or any fixed obstructions. A minimum clearance of 4-foot (1219 mm) shall be available at the foot of each bed or lounge chair to permit the passage of equipment and beds.

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1224.36.3 Ancillary facilities.

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1224.36.3.2 Patient storage. When outpatient dialysis service is provided, sStorage for patients' belongings shall be provided.

1224.36.3.3 Waiting room. A waiting room, toilet room(s) with handwashing stations, drinking fountain, public telephone and seating accommodations for waiting periods shall be available or accessible to the dialysis unit.

Exception: For a renal transplant unit where only inpatient acute dialysis is provided, a waiting room is not required.

SECTION 1224.39.4 TREATMENT/INFUSION THERAPY SERVICE SPACE

1224.39.4.2.3 Individual patient treatment areas. Shall contain at least 80 square feet (7.4 m²).

There shall be at least a clearance of 4-foot (1219 mm) space around and between the sides of beds and/or lounge chairs used for chemotherapy treatment/infusion or any fixed obstructions. A minimum clearance of 4-foot (1219 mm) shall be available at the foot of each beds or lounge chair to permit the passage of equipment and beds.

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1224.39.6.4.4 Patient toilet room(s). ~~A minimum of one toilet room shall be provided for the use of patients.~~ In units that do not provide patient toilet rooms in individual patient stations, one toilet room shall be provided for each six patient stations and for each major fraction thereof. Patient toilet room(s) shall be equipped with a handwashing station and shall be immediately accessible to the observation unit(s) from the corridor.

In units that do not provide patient toilet rooms in individual patient stations, then ...

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SECTION 1225 SKILLED NURSING AND INTERMEDIATE-CARE FACILITIES [OSHDPD 2]

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1225.4.1.7 Patient/nurse call system. ~~*A patient/nurse call system complying with Section 517.123, California Electrical Code, shall be provided.*~~ [*Refer to Section 1224.4.6.5.*](#)

1225.4.1.7.1 *In small house skilled nursing facilities, visitor toilet room(s) shall be equipped with a nurse call station.*

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1225.5.1.1 General Construction. Skilled nursing and intermediate-care facilities shall comply with Sections 1224.4 ~~through 1224.13~~ whenever applicable , and the requirements of this section.

1225.5.1.1.1 Communications Systems. Technology and medical communication rooms shall comply with the California Electrical Code, California Mechanical Code, California Plumbing Code and the requirements of this section.

1225.5.1.1.1.1 Technology Equipment Room. At least one technology equipment room, that is not used for any purpose other than electronic data storage, processing and networking, shall be provided. The room shall meet the following requirements:

1. The room shall serve as the point where outside carrier data, voice circuits, and cable TV services enter the facility and outdoor cabling interfaces with the building's internal cabling infrastructure. Telephone equipment shall be permitted to be included.
2. The room shall be sized to provide space to meet the service requirements and working clearances for the required equipment and NFPA 70.
3. The room shall be located to minimize the risk of water damage, both from internal and external sources.
4. The entrance shall be equipped with a lock.

1225.5.1.1.1.2 Technology distribution room. At least one technology distribution room shall be provided. The room shall meet the following requirements:

1. The room shall be permitted to be combined with the technology equipment room.
2. The room shall be located in an unrestricted area and directly accessible from a corridor.
3. Access to the room shall be restricted.

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1225.5.1.4.1 Skilled nursing facilities.

- 1. Recreation room. Each floor of each building accommodating six or more patients shall be provided with a recreation room with a minimum of 100 square feet (9.29 m²).*
- 2. Recreation and dining. A minimum of 100 square feet (9.29 m²) plus 12 square feet (1.11 m²) per bed shall be provided for recreation and dining activities.*

3. Outdoor space for activities and recreation.

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SECTION 1225.6 OPTIONAL SERVICES

1225.6.6 SPECIAL TREATMENT PROGRAM SERVICE. Refer to California Administrative Code (Part 1 of Title 24), [Section 7-119](#), Functional Program, for requirements. Projects associated with Special Treatment Program Services in skilled nursing and intermediate-care facilities shall include a Patient Safety Risk Assessment. The ~~skilled nursing facility~~ [special treatment program](#) shall have a minimum of 30 beds and shall meet the requirements of Chapter 3, Division 5, Title 22, California Code of Regulations.

SECTION 1228 [OSHDPD 5] – ACUTE PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS

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1228.4.20 Built-in furnishings. *Built-in furnishings in areas accessible to patients shall comply with the following requirements:*

1. *Built-in furnishings with doors or drawers shall not be provided.*
2. *Open shelves shall be fixed with tamper-resistant hardware.*
3. *Cabinets in the activity, dining, recreation and consultation rooms shall be locked and equipped with ligature-resistant hardware.*
3. *When provided, clothing rods or hooks shall be ligature resistant.*
4. *The following are not permitted:*
 - 4.1. *Towel bars.*
 - 4.2. *Shower curtain rods.*
 - 4.3. *Lever handles, except where a specifically designed ligature-resistant lever handle is used.*

SECTION 1228 ACUTE PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS

1228.13.1 Patient care areas.

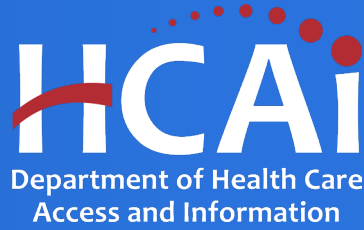
1228.13.1.1 Indoor activity rooms.

1. At least two separate activity ~~room~~ areas, one appropriate for group recreation and one for quiet activities to serve as a patient lounge, shall be provided.
2. Space requirements. The combined ~~area~~ space of these ~~room~~ areas shall have a minimum of 25 square feet (2.32 m²) per patient bed, with at least 120 square feet (11.15 m²) of clear floor area for each of the two spaces.

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1228.20 DIETETIC SERVICE SPACE. Refer to Section 1224.20, Dietetic Service Space for requirements, as modified below:

1228.20.1 Dining area. Provide dining space(s) for ambulatory patients, staff and visitors. Provide patient dining ~~room~~ area(s) of 20 square feet (1.86 m²) per patient bed separate from staff dining. These spaces shall be separate from the food preparation and distribution areas.



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CBC SECTION 202 Definitions

NONPATIENT-CARE SUITE. *In Group I-2 occupancies, ~~a group of rooms or spaces within a suite for use as administrative, business and professional offices.~~ a care suite that is not intended for patient sleeping or care and its primary use is not storage or industrial.*

[Similar request for the CA Fire Code]

CBC SECTION 708 FIRE PARTITIONS

708.1 General The following wall assemblies shall comply with this section:

1. Separation walls as required by Section 420.2 for Group R occupancies.
2. Walls separating tenant spaces in covered and open mall buildings as required by Section 402.4.2.1.
3. Corridor walls as required by Section 1020.3 *and in Group I-2 as required by Section 407.3.*
4. Enclosed elevator lobby separation as required by Section 3006.3.
5. Egress balconies as required by Section 1021.2
6. ~~Walls separating ambulatory care facilities from adjacent spaces, corridors or tenant as required by Section 422.2.~~
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7. Walls separating dwelling and sleeping units in Groups R-1 and R-2 in accordance with Sections 907.2.8.1 and 907.2.9.1.
8. Vestibules in accordance with Section 1028.2.
9. *Walls separating enclosed tenant spaces in high-rise buildings and in buildings of Types I, IIA, IIIA, IV or VA construction of Group A, E, H, I, L and R-2.1 occupancies and other applications listed in Section 1.11 regulated by the Office of the State Fire Marshal.*

CFC SECTION 5003-GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

5003.1 Scope. The storage, use and handling of all hazardous materials shall be in accordance with this section.

5003.1.1 Maximum allowable quantity per control area. The maximum allowable quantity per control area shall be as specified in Tables 5003.1.1(1) through 5003.1.1(4).

Exception: *Individual ~~M~~medical gases small-size A, B, D, or E, cylinders utilized for immediate use in ~~patient care within~~ patient care areas of a Group I-2 occupancy, when the applicable requirements of NFPA 99 ~~Chapter 5 and Chapter 11~~ have been met.*

For retail and wholesale storage and display in Group M occupancies and Group S storage, see Section 5003.11.