

42 C.F.R. § 483.420

Condition of participation: Client protections.

(a) *Standard: Protection of clients' rights.* The facility must ensure the rights of all clients. Therefore, the facility must—

- (1) Inform each client, parent (if the client is a minor), or legal guardian, of the client's rights and the rules of the facility;
- (2) Inform each client, parent (if the client is a minor), or legal guardian, of the client's medical condition, developmental and behavioral status, attendant risks of treatment, and of the right to refuse treatment;
- (3) Allow and encourage individual clients to exercise their rights as clients of the facility, and as citizens of the United States, including the right to file complaints, and the right to due process;
- (4) Allow individual clients to manage their financial affairs and teach them to do so to the extent of their capabilities;
- (5) Ensure that clients are not subjected to physical, verbal, sexual or psychological abuse or punishment;
- (6) Ensure that clients are free from unnecessary drugs and physical restraints and are provided active treatment to reduce dependency on drugs and physical restraints;

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