

## 42 C.F.R. § 485.623

## Condition of participation: Physical plant and environment.

- (a) *Standard: Construction.* The CAH is constructed, arranged, and maintained to ensure access to and safety of patients, and provides adequate space for the provision of services.
- (b) Standard: Maintenance. The CAH has housekeeping and preventive maintenance programs to ensure that—
- (1) All essential mechanical, electrical, and patient-care equipment is maintained in safe operating condition;
- (2) There is proper routine storage and prompt disposal of trash;
- (3) Drugs and biologicals are appropriately stored;
- (4) The premises are clean and orderly; and
- (5) There is proper ventilation, lighting, and temperature control in all pharmaceutical, patient care, and food preparation areas.
- (c) Standard: Life safety from fire. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section—
- (i) The CAH must meet the applicable provisions and must proceed in accordance with the Life Safety Code (NFPA 101 and Tentative Interim Amendments TIA 12-1, TIA 12-2, TIA 12-3, and TIA 12-4.)
- (ii) Notwithstanding paragraph (d)(1)(i) of this section, corridor doors and doors to rooms containing flammable or combustible materials must be provided with positive latching hardware. Roller latches are prohibited on such doors.

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