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CZ841 SS=D	408.823() FS In-person Visitation (1) This section applies to _____ centers as defined in s. 393.063, hospitals licensed under chapter 395, nursing home facilities licensed under part II of chapter 400, hospice facilities licensed under part _____ of chapter 400, intermediate care facilities for the _____ licensed and certified under part VIII of chapter 400, and assisted living facilities licensed under part I of chapter 429. (2)(a) No later than 30 days after the effective date of this act, each provider shall establish visitation policies and procedures. The policies and procedures must, at a minimum, include _____ control and education policies for visitors; screening, personal protective equipment, and other _____ control protocols for visitors; permissible length of visits and numbers of visitors, which must meet or exceed the standards in ss. 400.022(1)(b) and 429.28(1)(d), as applicable; and designation of a person responsible for ensuring that staff adhere to the policies and procedures. Safety-related policies and procedures may not be more stringent than those established for the provider's staff and may not require visitors to submit proof of any _____ or immunization. The policies and procedures must allow consensual physical contact between a resident, client, or patient and the visitor. (b) A resident, client, or patient may designate a visitor who is a family member, friend, guardian, or other individual as an essential caregiver. The provider must allow in-person visitation by the essential caregiver for at least 2 hours daily in addition to any other visitation authorized by the provider. This section does not require an essential caregiver to provide necessary care to a resident, client, or patient of a provider, and	CZ841		

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CZ841	Continued From page 1 providers may not require an essential caregiver to provide such care. (c) The visitation policies and procedures required by this section must allow in-person visitation in all of the following circumstances, unless the resident, client, or patient objects: 1. End-of-life situations. 2. A resident, client, or patient who was living with family before being admitted to the provider's care is struggling with the change in environment and lack of in-person family support. 3. The resident, client, or patient is making one or more major medical decisions. 4. A resident, client, or patient is experiencing emotional distress or grieving the loss of a friend or family member who recently . 5. A resident, client, or patient needs cueing or encouragement to eat or drink which was previously provided by a family member or caregiver. 6. A resident, client, or patient who used to talk and interact with others is seldom speaking. 7. For hospitals, childbirth, including labor and delivery. 8. patients. (d) The policies and procedures may require a visitor to agree in writing to follow the provider's policies and procedures. A provider may suspend in-person visitation of a specific visitor if the visitor violates the provider's policies and procedures. (e) The providers shall provide their visitation policies and procedures to the agency when applying for initial licensure, licensure renewal, or change of ownership. The provider must make the visitation policies and procedures available to the agency for review at any time, upon request. (f) Within 24 hours after establishing the policies and procedures required under this section,	CZ841			

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CZ841	Continued From page 2 providers must make such policies and procedures easily accessible from the homepage of their websites. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to establish a visitation policy that includes control, education policies for visitors; screening, personal protective equipment, and other control protocols for visitors; permissible length of visits and numbers of visitors. Findings included: A record review of the facility's visitation policy was conducted on revealing the policy did not contain control, education policies for visitors; screening, personal protective equipment, and other control protocols for visitors; permissible length of visits and numbers of visitors (photographic evidence obtained). An interview was conducted with the CoOwner on at 11a.m. and she agree that their policy did not mention control, education policies for visitors; screening, personal protective equipment, and other control protocols for visitors; permissible length of visits and numbers of visitors. Class III	CZ841		
A 000	Initial Comments A biennial survey with a generator monitoring survey was conducted at Americus Total Care on	A 000		

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A 000	Continued From page 3 The facility had deficiencies at the time of survey.	A 000		
A 034 SS=D	59A-36.007(9) ASSISTIVE DEVICES (9) ASSISTIVE DEVICES. Facilities are responsible for ensuring the safe usage of a resident's assistive devices. (a) The facility must have policies and procedures that include the requirements and methods for assessing the physical condition of assistive devices that may injure the resident and procedures for recommending repair or replacement for the continuing safety of a resident's assistive device. (b) Documentation of each assistive device a resident uses must be included in the resident's record. (c) Direct care staff using assistive devices while rendering personal services to residents must know how to operate and utilize the equipment. (d) All assistive devices must be clean, in good repair, and free of hazards. (e) The facility must encourage and allow the resident to function with independence when using the assistive device. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to develop policies and procedures that include the requirements and methods for assessing the physical condition of assistive devices and procedures for recommending repair or replacement for the continuing safety of a resident's assistive device. Findings included: An attempted record review of the facility's policy	A 034		

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A 034	Continued From page 4 and procedures for resident assistive devices was conducted on . An interview was conducted with the Co-Owner on at 11:10a.m. and when asked for the facility's policy and procedures for resident assistive devices the Co-Owner stated the facility does not have any policies or procedures for resident's assistive devices. Class III	A 034		
A 078 SS=D	59A-36.010(2) FAC Staffing Standards - Staff (2) STAFF. (a) Within 30 days after beginning employment, newly hired staff must submit a written statement from a health care provider documenting that the individual does not have any signs or symptoms of communicable . The examination performed by the health care provider must have been conducted no earlier than 6 months before submission of the statement. Newly hired staff does not include an employee transferring without a break in service from one facility to another when the facility is under the same management or ownership. 1. Evidence of a negative examination must be documented on an annual basis. Documentation provided by the Florida Department of Health or a licensed health care provider certifying that there is a shortage of testing materials satisfies the annual examination requirement. An individual with a positive test must submit a health care provider's statement that the individual does not constitute a risk of 2. If any staff member has, or is suspected of	A 078		

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A 078	Continued From page 5 having, a communicable, such individual must be immediately removed from duties until a written statement is submitted from a health care provider indicating that the individual does not constitute a risk of transmitting a communicable . (b) Staff must be qualified to perform their assigned duties consistent with their level of education, training, preparation, and experience. Staff providing services requiring licensing or certification must be appropriately licensed or certified. All staff must exercise their responsibilities, consistent with their qualifications, to observe residents, to document observations on the appropriate resident's record, and to report the observations to the resident's health care provider in accordance with this rule chapter. (c) All staff must comply with the training requirements of rule 59A-36.011, F.A.C. (d) An assisted living facility to provide services to residents must ensure that individuals providing services are qualified to perform their assigned duties in accordance with this rule chapter. The contract between the facility and the staffing agency or contractor must specifically describe the services the staffing agency or contractor will provide to residents. (e) For facilities with a licensed capacity of 17 or more residents, the facility must: 1. Develop a written job description for each staff position and provide a copy of the job description to each staff member; and, 2. Maintain time sheets for all staff. (f) Level 2 background screening must be conducted for staff, including staff by the facility to provide services to residents, pursuant to sections 408.809 and 429.174, F.S. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by:	A 078		

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A 078	Continued From page 6 Based on record review and interview, the facility failed to ensure that staff had an annual statement from a health care provider confirming freedom of _____ for 3 (Administrator, Co-Owner and Staff A) out of 3 sampled. Findings include: A record review was conducted on _____ of the Administrator's file, date of hire (DOH) of _____, Co-Owner's file, DOH of _____ and Staff A's file, DOH _____ revealed none of the files contained a statement from a health care provider stating they are free from () within the past year. An interview was conducted with the Co-Owner on _____ at 1p.m. and she agreed that she, the Administrator and Staff A did not have a _____ screening in the past year. Class III	A 078		
A 083 SS=D	59A-36.011(5) FAC Training - First Aid and (5) FIRST AID AND _____. A staff member who has completed courses in First Aid and _____ and holds a currently valid card documenting completion of such courses must be in the facility at all times. (a) Documentation that the staff member possess current _____ certification that requires the student to demonstrate, in person, that he or she is able to perform _____ and which is issued by an instructor or training provider that is approved to provide _____ training by the American Red Cross, the American _____ Association, the National Safety Council, or an organization whose training	A 083		

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A 083	Continued From page 7 is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Pre-Hospital Continuing Education satisfies this requirement. (b) A nurse shall be considered as having met the training requirement for First Aid. An emergency medical technician or paramedic currently certified under chapter 401, Part III, F.S., shall be considered as having met the training requirements for both First Aid and C.P.R. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to have a staff person at the facility at all times with a current first aid and _____ certification () training. Findings included: A record review was conducted on _____ of the Co-Owner's employee file revealed there was no current first aid or _____ certification. The Co-Owner was the only staff working during the survey. An interview was conducted with the Co-Owner on _____ at 1:05p.m. and she agreed that her first aid and _____ certification had expired. Class III	A 083		
A 084 SS=D	59A-36.011(6) FAC 429.52(6), FS Training - Assis Self-Admin Meds & Med Mgmt 59A-36.011 (6) ASSISTANCE WITH THE SELF-ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION AND MEDICATION MANAGEMENT. Unlicensed persons who will be providing assistance with the self-administration of medications as described in	A 084		

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A 084	Continued From page 8 rule 59A-36.008, F.A.C., must meet the training requirements pursuant to section 429.52(6), F.S., prior to assuming this responsibility. Courses provided in fulfillment of this requirement must meet the following criteria: (a) Training must cover state law and rule requirements with respect to the supervision, assistance, administration, and management of medications in assisted living facilities; procedures and techniques for assisting the resident with self-administration of medication including how to read a prescription label; providing the right medications to the right resident; common medications; the importance of taking medications as prescribed; recognition of side effects and adverse reactions and procedures to follow when residents appear to be experiencing side effects and adverse reactions; documentation and record keeping; and medication storage and disposal. Training shall include demonstrations of proper techniques, including techniques for control, and ensure unlicensed staff have adequately demonstrated that they have acquired the skills necessary to provide such assistance. (b) The training must be provided by a registered nurse or licensed pharmacist who shall issue a training certificate to a trainee who demonstrates, in person and both physically and verbally, the ability to: 1. Read and understand a prescription label; 2. Provide assistance with self-administration in accordance with section 429.256, F.S., and rule 59A-36.008, F.A.C., including: a. Assist with oral dosage forms, _____ dosage forms, and _____ and _____ dosage forms; b. Measure liquid medications, break scored tablets, and crush tablets in accordance with	A 084			

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A 084	Continued From page 9 prescription directions; c. Recognize the need to obtain clarification of an "as needed" prescription order; d. Recognize a medication order which requires judgment or discretion, and to advise the resident, resident's health care provider or facility employer of inability to assist in the administration of such orders; e. Complete a medication observation record; f. Retrieve and store medication; g. Recognize the general signs of adverse reactions to medications and report such reactions; h. Assist residents with _____ syringes that are prefilled with the proper dosage by a pharmacist and _____ that are prefilled by the manufacturer by taking the medication, in its previously dispensed, properly labeled container, from where it is stored, and bringing it to the resident for self-injection; i. Assist with _____; j. Use a _____ to perform _____ testing; k. Assist residents with _____ and continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) devices, excluding the titration of the _____ levels; l. Apply and remove _____ stockings and hosiery; m. Placement and removal of _____ bags, excluding the removal of the _____ or manipulation of the _____ site; and, n. Measurement of _____ rate, temperature, and _____ rate. (c) Unlicensed persons, as defined in section 429.256(1)(b), F.S., who provide assistance with self-administered medications and have successfully completed the initial 6 hour training, must obtain, annually, a minimum of 2 hours of	A 084		

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A 084	Continued From page 10 continuing education training on providing assistance with self-administered medications and safe medication practices in an assisted living facility. The 2 hours of continuing education training may be provided online. (d) Trained unlicensed staff who, prior to the effective date of this rule, assist with the self-administration of medication and have successfully completed 4 hours of assistance with self-administration of medication training must complete an additional 2 hours of training that focuses on the topics listed in sub-subparagraphs (6)(b)2.h.-n. of this section, before assisting with the self-administration of medication procedures listed in sub-subparagraphs (6)(b)2.h.-n. 429.52 (6) Staff assisting with the self-administration of medications under s. 429.256 must complete a minimum of 6 additional hours of training provided by a registered nurse or a licensed pharmacist before providing assistance. Two hours of continuing education are required annually thereafter. The agency shall establish by rule the minimum requirements of this training This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to ensure that unlicensed staff who assist with self administration of medications completed two hours of continuing annual education for one staff (Staff A) of three files reviewed. Findings included: A record review was conducted on _____ of Staff A, an unlicensed Medication Technician, employee file revealed lack of 2 hours of	A 084			

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A 084	Continued From page 11 continuing education on an annual basis. An interview was conducted with the Co-Owner on _____ at 1:07p.m. and she agreed that Staff A had no proof of completing 2 hours of continuing education on an annual basis. Class III	A 084		
A 160 SS=D	59A-36.015(1) FAC Records - Facility 59A-36.015 Records. The facility must maintain required records in a manner that makes such records readily available at the licensee's physical address for review by a legally authorized entity. If records are maintained in an electronic format, facility staff must be readily available to access the data and produce the requested information. For purposes of this section, "readily available" means the ability to immediately produce documents, records, or other such data, either in electronic or paper format, upon request. (1) FACILITY RECORDS. Facility records must include: (a) The facility's license displayed in a conspicuous and public place within the facility. (b) An up-to-date admission and discharge log listing the names of all residents and each resident's: 1. Date of admission, the facility or place from which the resident was admitted, and if applicable, a notation indicating that the resident was admitted with a _____; and, 2. Date of discharge, reason for discharge, and identification of the facility or home address to which the resident was discharged. Readmission of a resident to the facility after discharge requires a new entry in the log. Discharge of a	A 160		

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A 160	Continued From page 12 resident is not required if the facility is holding a bed for a resident who is out of the facility but intending to return pursuant to Rule 59A-36.018, F.A.C. If the resident dies while in the care of the facility, the log must indicate the date of (c) A log listing the names of all temporary emergency placement and respite care residents if not included on the log described in paragraph (b). (d) The facility's emergency management plan, with documentation of review and approval by the county emergency management agency, as described in Rule 59A-36.019, F.A.C., that must be readily available by facility staff. (e) The facility's liability insurance policy required in Rule 59A-36.013, F.A.C. (f) For facilities that have a surety bond, a copy of the surety bond currently in effect as required by Rule 59A-36.013, F.A.C. (g) The admission package presented to new or prospective residents (less the resident's contract) described in Rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C. (h) If the facility advertises that it provides special care for persons with 's or related, a copy of all such facility advertisements as required by Section 429.177, F.S. (i) A grievance procedure for receiving and responding to resident complaints and recommendations as described in Rule 59A-36.007, F.A.C. (j) All food service records required in Rule 59A-36.012, F.A.C., including menus planned and served and county health department inspection reports. Facilities that contract for food services, must include a copy of the contract for food services and the food service contractor's license or certificate to operate. (k) All fire safety inspection reports issued by the	A 160		

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A 160	Continued From page 13 local authority or the State Fire Marshal pursuant to Section 429.435, F.S., and rule Chapter 69A-40, F.A.C., issued within the last 2 years. (l) All sanitation inspection reports issued by the county health department pursuant to Section 381.031, F.S., and Chapter 64E-12, F.A.C., issued within the last 2 years. (m) Pursuant to Section 429.35, F.S., all completed survey, inspection and complaint investigation reports, and notices of sanctions and moratoriums issued by the agency within the last 5 years. (n) The facility's resident elopement response policies and procedures. (o) The facility's documented resident elopement response drills. (p) The facility's policies and procedures pursuant to subsection 59A-36.007(10), F.A.C.; (q) The facility's prevention policies and procedures; (r) The facility's medication practices; (s) The facility's policy on physical ; (t) The facility's policy on assistive devices; (u) The facility's policy on third-party providers; (v) The facility's policy on visitation pursuant to Section 408.823(2)(a), F.S.; (w) For facilities licensed as limited mental health, extended congregate care, or limited nursing services, records required as stated in Rules 59A-36.020, 59A-36.021 and 59A-36.022, F.A.C., respectively. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to maintain an up-to-date admission discharge log. Findings included: A record review was conducted of the facility's	A 160		

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A 160	Continued From page 14 admission discharge log on revealing only three of five current residents being listed in the log (photographic evidence obtained). An interview was conducted with the Co-Owner on at 10:48a.m. and agreed that the admission discharge log only had three of the five current residents entered on the log. Class III	A 160		
A 162 SS=D	59A-36.015(3) FAC Records - Resident (3) RESIDENT RECORDS. Resident records must be maintained on the premises and include: (a) Resident demographic data as follows: 1. Name, 2. 3. Race, 4. Date of birth, 5. Place of birth, if known, 6. Social security number, 7. Medicaid and/or Medicare number, or name of other health insurance 8. Name, address, and telephone number of next of kin, legal representative, or individual designated by the resident for notification in case of an emergency; and, 9. Name, address, and telephone number of the resident's health care practioner and case manager, if applicable. (b) A copy of the Resident Health Assessment form, AHCA Form 1823 or the health care practitioner's medical examination form described in Rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C. (c) Any orders for medications, nursing services, therapeutic diets, or other services to be provided, supervised, or implemented by the facility that require a health	A 162		

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A 162	Continued From page 15 care provider's order. (d) Documentation of a resident's refusal of a therapeutic diet pursuant to Rule 59A-36.012, F.A.C., if applicable. (e) The resident care record described in paragraph 59A-36.007(1)(f), F.A.C. (f) A _____ record that is initiated on admission. Information may be taken from AHCA Form 1823 or the resident's health assessment. Residents receiving assistance with the activities of daily living must have their _____ recorded semi-annually. This subsection does not apply to residents who are receiving licensed hospice services when such residents, their representatives, or their physicians request in writing that _____ not be taken. (g) For facilities that will have unlicensed staff assisting the resident with the self-administration of medication, a copy of the written informed consent described in Rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C., if such consent is not included in the resident's contract. (h) For facilities that manage a pill organizer, assist with self-administration of medications or administer medications for a resident, copies of the required medication records maintained pursuant to Rule 59A-36.008, F.A.C. (i) A copy of the resident's contract with the facility, including any addendums to the contract as described in Rule 59A-36.018, F.A.C. (j) For a facility whose owner, administrator, staff, or representative thereof, serves as an attorney in fact for a resident, a copy of the monthly written statement of any transaction made on behalf of the resident as required in Section 429.27, F.S. (k) For any facility that maintains a separate trust fund to receive funds or other property belonging to or due a resident, a copy of the quarterly written statement of funds or other property	A 162		

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A 162	Continued From page 16 disbursed as required in Section 429.27, F.S. (l) If the resident is an _____ recipient, a copy of the Department of Children and Families form Alternate Care Certification for _____, _____ (____), CF-ES 1006, _____, which is hereby incorporated by reference and available for review at: http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-04004. The absence of this form will not be the basis for administrative action against a facility if the facility can demonstrate that it has made a good faith effort to obtain the required documentation from the Department of Children and Families. (m) Documentation of the _____ of a health care surrogate, health care proxy, guardian, or the existence of a power of attorney, where applicable. (n) For hospice patients, the interdisciplinary care plan and other documentation that the resident is a hospice patient as required in Rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C. (o) The resident's _____, DH Form 1896, if applicable. (p) For independent living residents who receive meals and occupy beds included within the licensed capacity of an assisted living facility, but who are not receiving any personal, limited nursing, or extended congregate care services, record keeping may be limited to a log listing the names of residents participating in this arrangement. (q) Except for resident contracts, which must be retained for 5 years, all resident records must be retained for 2 years following the departure of a resident from the facility unless it is required by contract to retain the records for a longer period of time. Upon request, residents must be provided with a copy of their records upon	A 162			

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A 162	Continued From page 17 departure from the facility. (r) Additional resident records requirements for facilities holding a limited mental health, extended congregate care, or limited nursing services license are provided in Rules 59A-36.020, 59A-36.021 and 59A-36.022, F.A.C., respectively. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview, the Facility failed to obtain a -to- Health Assessments on the Agency for Health Care Administration's Form 1823 (1823) as required for one Resident (#1) of two sampled residents. Findings Included: A record review for Resident #1, conducted on _____ revealed that Resident #1 had an 1823 dated _____ that was documented on the _____ form and not the required _____ form (photographic evidence obtained). An interview was conducted with the Co-Owner on _____ at 11:20a.m. and when asked if Resident #1 had another Health Assessment form 1823 other than the one reviewed dated _____ the Co-Owner stated that is the only 1823 form for Resident #1. Class III	A 162		
A 181 SS=D	59A-36.019(2) FAC Emergency Plan Approval (2) EMERGENCY PLAN APPROVAL. The plan must be submitted for review and approval to the local emergency management agency. (a) If the local emergency management agency requires revisions to the emergency management	A 181		

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A 181	Continued From page 18 plan, such revisions must be made and the plan resubmitted to the local office within 30 days of receiving notification that the plan must be revised. (b) A new facility as described in Rule 59A-36.014, F.A.C., and facilities whose ownership has been transferred, must submit an emergency management plan within 30 days after obtaining a license. (c) The facility must review its emergency management plan on an annual basis. Any substantive changes must be submitted to the local emergency agency for review and approval. 1. Changes in the name, address, telephone number, or position of staff listed in the plan are not considered substantive revisions for the purposes of this rule. 2. Changes in the identification of specific staff must be submitted to the local emergency management agency annually as a signed and dated addendum that is not subject to review and approval. (d) The local emergency management agency is the final administrative authority for emergency management plans prepared by assisted living facilities. (e) Any plan approved by the local emergency management agency is considered to have met all the criteria and conditions established in this rule. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to show proof of submitting an emergency management plan to the local authority. Findings included: An attempted record review of the facility's	A 181			

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A 181	Continued From page 19 approved emergency management plan was conducted on . An interview was conducted with the Co-Owner on at 10:43a.m. and she stated the facility does not have a current approved emergency management plan. When asked for proof of ever submitting a plan the Co-Owner was unable to provide any documentation of doing so. Class III	A 181		
A 200 SS=D	59A-36.025 FAC Emergency Environmental Control 59A-36.025 Emergency Environmental Control for Assisted Living Facilities. (1) DETAILED EMERGENCY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL PLAN. Each assisted living facility shall prepare a detailed plan ("plan") to serve as a supplement to its Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, to address emergency environmental control in the event of the loss of primary electrical power in that assisted living facility which includes the following information: (a) The acquisition of a sufficient alternate power source such as a generator(s), maintained at the assisted living facility, to ensure that current licensees of assisted living facilities will be equipped to ensure air temperatures will be maintained at or below 81 degrees Fahrenheit for a minimum of ninety-six (96) hours in the event of the loss of primary electrical power. 1. The required temperature must be maintained in an area or areas, determined by the assisted living facility, of sufficient size to maintain residents safely at all times and that is appropriate for resident care needs and life safety requirements. For planning purposes, no less	A 200		

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A 200	Continued From page 20 than twenty (20) net square . . . per resident must be provided. The assisted living facility may use eighty percent (80%) of its licensed bed capacity as the number of residents to be used in the to determine the required square footage. This may include areas that are less than the entire assisted living facility if the assisted living facility's comprehensive emergency management plan includes allowing a resident to congregate when he or she desires in portions of the building where temperatures will be maintained and includes procedures for monitoring residents for signs of heat related injury as required by this rule. This rule does not prohibit a facility from acting as a receiving provider for evacuees when the conditions stated in section 408.821, F.S. and subsection 59A-36.019(5), F.A.C., are met. The plan shall include information regarding the area(s) within the assisted living facility where the required temperature will be maintained. 2. The alternate power source and fuel supply shall be located in an area(s) in accordance with local zoning and the Florida Building Code. 3. Each assisted living facility is unique in size; the types of care provided; the physical and mental capabilities and needs of residents; the type, frequency, and amount of services and care offered; and staffing characteristics. Accordingly, this rule does not limit the types of systems or equipment that may be used to achieve temperatures at or below 81 degrees Fahrenheit for a minimum of ninety-six (96) hours in the event of the loss of primary electrical power. The plan shall include information regarding the systems and equipment that will be used by the assisted living facility and the fuel required to operate the systems and equipment. a. An assisted living facility in an evacuation zone	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 21 pursuant to chapter 252, F. S. must maintain an alternative power source and fuel as required by this subsection at all times when the assisted living facility is occupied but is permitted to utilize a mobile generator(s) to enable portability if evacuation is necessary. b. Assisted living facilities located on a single campus with other facilities under common ownership, may share fuel, alternative power resources, and resident space available on the campus if such resources are sufficient to support the requirements of each facility's residents, as specified in this rule. Details regarding how resources will be shared and any necessary movement of residents must be clearly described in the emergency power plan. c. A multistory facility, whose comprehensive emergency management plan is to move residents to a higher floor during a flood or surge event, must place its alternative power source and all necessary additional equipment so it can safely operate in a location protected from flooding or storm surge damage. (b) The acquisition of sufficient fuel, and safe maintenance of that fuel at the facility, to ensure that in the event of the loss of primary electrical power there is sufficient fuel available for the alternate power source to maintain temperatures at or below 81 degrees Fahrenheit for a minimum of ninety-six (96) hours after the loss of primary electrical power during a declared state of emergency. The plan must include information regarding fuel source and fuel storage. 1. Facilities must store minimum amounts of fuel onsite as follows: a. A facility with a licensed capacity of 16 beds or less must store 48 hours of fuel onsite. b. A facility with a licensed capacity of 17 or more	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 22 beds must store 72 hours of fuel onsite. 2. An assisted living facility located in an area in a declared state of emergency area pursuant to section 252.36, F.S. that may impact primary power delivery must secure ninety-six (96) hours of fuel. The assisted living facility may utilize portable fuel storage containers for the remaining fuel necessary for ninety-six (96) hours during the period of a declared state of emergency. 3. Piped natural gas is an allowable fuel source and meets the onsite fuel supply requirements under this rule. 4. If local ordinances or other regulations limit the amount of onsite fuel storage for the assisted living facility's location, then the assisted living facility must develop a plan that includes maximum onsite fuel storage allowable by the ordinance or regulation and a reliable method to obtain the maximum additional fuel at least 24 hours prior to depletion of onsite fuel. (c) The acquisition of services necessary to maintain, and test the equipment and its functions to ensure the safe and sufficient operation of the alternate power source maintained at the assisted living facility. (d) The acquisition and maintenance of a monoxide alarm. (2) SUBMISSION OF THE PLAN. (a) Each assisted living facility licensed prior to the effective date of this rule shall submit its plan to the local emergency management agency for review within 30 days of the effective date of this rule. Assisted living facility plans previously submitted and approved pursuant to emergency Rule 58AER17-1 will require resubmission only if changes are made to the plan. (b) Each new assisted living facility shall submit the plan required under this rule prior to obtaining a license.	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 23 (c) Each existing assisted living facility that undergoes any additions, modifications, alterations, refurbishment, renovations or reconstruction that require modification of its systems or equipment affecting the facility's compliance with this rule shall amend its plan and submit it to the local emergency management agency for review and approval. (3) APPROVED PLANS. (a) Each assisted living facility must maintain a copy of its approved plan in a manner that makes the plan readily available at the licensee's physical address for review by a legally authorized entity. If the plan is maintained in an electronic format, assisted living facility staff must be readily available to access and produce the plan. For purposes of this section, "readily available" means the ability to immediately produce the plan, either in electronic or paper format, upon request. (b) Within two (2) business days of the approval of the plan from the local emergency management agency, the assisted living facility shall submit in writing proof of the approval to the Agency for Health Care Administration. (c) The assisted living facility shall submit a consumer-friendly summary of the emergency power plan to the Agency. The Agency shall post the summary and notice of the approval and implementation of the assisted living facility emergency power plans on its website within ten (10) business days of the plan's approval by the local emergency management agency and update within ten (10) business days of implementation. (4) IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN. (a) Each assisted living facility licensed prior to the effective date of this rule shall, no later than _____, have implemented the plan	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 24 required under this rule. (b) The Agency shall allow an extension to _____ to providers in compliance with paragraph (c) below and who can show delays caused by necessary construction, delivery of ordered equipment, zoning or other regulatory approval processes. Assisted living facilities shall notify the Agency that they will utilize the extension and keep the Agency apprised of progress on a quarterly basis to ensure there are no unnecessary delays. If an assisted living facility can show in its quarterly progress reports that unavoidable delays caused by necessary construction, delivery of ordered equipment, zoning or other regulatory approval processes will occur beyond the initial extension date, the assisted living facility may request a waiver pursuant to section 120.542, F.S. (c) During the extension period, an assisted living facility must make arrangements pending full implementation of its plan that provides the residents with an area or areas to congregate that meets the safe indoor air temperature requirements of subsection (1) (a) for a minimum of ninety-six (96) hours. 1. An assisted living facility not located in an evacuation zone must either have an alternative power source onsite or have a contract in place for delivery of an alternative power source and fuel when requested. Within twenty-four (24) hours of the issuance of a state of emergency for an event that may impact primary power delivery for the area of the assisted living facility, it must have the alternative power source and no less than ninety-six (96) hours of fuel stored onsite. 2. An assisted living facility located in an evacuation zone pursuant to chapter 252, F.S. must either: a. Fully and safely evacuate its residents prior to	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 25 the arrival of the event; or b. Have an alternative power source and no less than ninety-six (96) hours of fuel stored onsite, within twenty-four (24) hours of the issuance of a state of emergency for the area of the assisted living facility. (d) Each new assisted living facility shall implement the plan required under this rule prior to obtaining a license. (e) Existing assisted living facilities that undergo any additions, modifications, alterations, refurbishment, renovations or reconstruction that require modification of the systems or equipment affecting the assisted living facility's compliance with this rule shall implement its amended plan concurrent with any such additions, modifications, alterations, refurbishment, renovations or reconstruction. (f) The Agency for Health Care Administration may request cooperation from the State Fire Marshal to conduct inspections to ensure implementation of the plan in compliance with this rule. (5) POLICIES AND PROCEDURES. (a) Each assisted living facility shall develop and implement written policies and procedures to ensure that the assisted living facility can effectively and immediately activate, operate and maintain the alternate power source and any fuel required for the operation of the alternate power source. The procedures shall ensure that residents do not experience complications from fluctuations in air temperatures inside the facility. Procedures must address the care of residents occupying the facility during a declared state of emergency, specifically, a description of the methods to be used to mitigate the potential for heat related injury including: 1. The use of cooling devices and equipment;	A 200		

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A 200	Continued From page 26 2. The use of refrigeration and freezers to produce ice and appropriate temperatures for the maintenance of medicines requiring refrigeration; 3. Wellness checks by assisted living facility staff to monitor for signs of _____ and heat injury; and 4. A provision for obtaining medical intervention from emergency services for residents whose life safety is in jeopardy. (b) Each assisted living facility shall maintain the written policies and procedures in a manner that makes them readily available at the licensee's physical address for review by a legally authorized entity. If the policies and procedures are maintained in an electronic format, assisted living facility staff must be readily available to access the policies and procedures and produce the requested information. For purposes of this section, "readily available" means the ability to immediately produce the policies and procedures, either in electronic or paper format, upon request. (c) The written policies and procedures must be readily available for inspection by each resident; each resident's legal representative, designee, surrogate, guardian, attorney in fact, or case manager; each resident's estate; and such additional parties as authorized in writing or by law. (6) REVOCATION OF LICENSE, FINES OR SANCTIONS. For a violation of any part of this rule, the Agency for Health Care Administration may seek any remedy authorized by chapter 429, part I, or chapter 408, part II, F.S., including, but not limited to, license revocation, license suspension, and the imposition of administrative fines. (7) COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN. (a) Assisted living facilities whose comprehensive	A 200		

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A 200	Continued From page 27 emergency management plan is to evacuate must comply with this rule. (b) Each facility whose plan has been approved shall submit the plan as an addendum with any future submissions for approval of its comprehensive emergency management plan. (8) NOTIFICATION. (a) Within five (5) business days, each assisted living facility must notify in writing, unless permission for electronic communication has been granted, each resident and the resident's legal representative: 1. Upon submission of the plan to the local emergency management agency that the plan has been submitted for review and approval; 2. Upon final implementation of the plan by the assisted living facility. (b) Each assisted living facility must maintain a copy of each notification set forth in paragraph (a) above in a manner that makes each notification readily available at the licensee's physical address for review by a legally authorized entity. If the notifications are maintained in an electronic format, facility staff must be readily available to access and produce the notifications. For purposes of this section, "readily available" means the ability to immediately produce the notifications, either in electronic or paper format, upon request. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation and interview the facility failed to maintain fuel onsite for use in the emergency generator. Findings included: An observation was made on at 10:55a.m. of the generator storage area and no fuel was observed for use in the emergency	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 28 generator. An interview was conducted with the Co-Owner on _____ at 10:55a.m. and when asked if the facility had fuel onsite for the emergency generator the Co-Owner stated there is no fuel at the facility to use in the portable generator. Class III	A 200		