

AGING AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION (AL TSA)

Pet Record Review

For use during Recertification Surveys of Nursing Homes

FACILITY NAME
SURVEYOR'S NAME
DATE

Check here if the facility does not have any pets living or visiting in the facility and skip the rest of the form.

A. Resident Rights		Notes
1. If desired, do residents have a reasonable opportunity to have regular contact with pets?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
2. Are pets restricted from food preparation areas?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
3. Are pets restricted from residents who object to the presence of pets?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

B. Pet Health
1. Current number of pets living on premises:
2. Current number of pets who visit:
3. All <u>live-in</u> pets have a current vaccination against rabies: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
4. All <u>live-in</u> pets are veterinarian certified to be free of diseases transmittable to humans: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
5. All pets observed display a suitable temperament: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

C. Animals living in the home ONLY				
NAME (OR IDENTIFYING INFORMATION)	TYPE OF ANIMAL	MOST RECENT EXAM DATE / CONCERNS	RABIES IMMUNIZATION (EXPIRATION OR DUE DATE)	CERTIFIED TO BE FREE OF DISEASES TRANSMITTABLE TO HUMANS
				<input type="checkbox"/>
				<input type="checkbox"/>
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				<input type="checkbox"/>

D. Notes

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E. Instructions

- Request pet records for animals who live on the premises. Document health and temperament information for **live in** pets on Page 1.
- Through observation and interview, ensure compliance with [WAC 388-97-0980](#), Pets:
 - (1) Each resident must have a reasonable opportunity to have regular contact with animals, if desired.
 - (2) The nursing home must:
 - (a) Consider the recommendations of nursing home residents, resident councils, and staff;
 - (b) Determine how to provide residents access to animals;
 - (c) Determine the type and number of animals available in the facility, which the facility can safely manage. Such animals should include only those customarily considered domestic pets;
 - (d) Ensure that any resident's rights, preferences, and medical needs are not compromised by the presence of an animal; and
 - (e) Ensure any animal visiting or living on the premises has a suitable temperament, is healthy, and otherwise poses no significant health or safety risks to residents, staff, or visitors.
 - (3) Animals living on the nursing home premises must:
 - (a) Have regular examinations and immunizations, appropriate for the species, by a veterinarian licensed in Washington state; and
 - (b) Be veterinarian certified to be free of diseases transmittable to humans.
 - (4) Pets must be restricted from:
 - (a) Central food preparation areas; and
 - (b) Residents who object to the presence of pets.

Pet Health Guidance

Rabies vaccination requirements (WAC 246-100-197).

An owner of a dog, cat, or ferret shall have it vaccinated and revaccinated against rabies following veterinary and USDA-licensed rabies vaccine manufacturer instructions.

- A typical rabies vaccination schedule is to vaccinate at 3 months of age, and again approximately one year later, and then every three years, but manufacturer instructions take precedence.
- An animal is considered immunized 28 days after initial vaccination or immediately following any booster vaccinations.

Other vaccinations or immunizations are highly recommended, but not required.

- Cats: Vaccinations to protect against panleukopenia (feline distemper), feline calici virus and feline herpes virus type I (rhinotracheitis).
- Dogs: Vaccinations to protect against canine parvovirus, distemper and canine hepatitis.

For more information about diseases that can spread from pets to humans, visit this CDC website:

<https://www.cdc.gov/healthypets/diseases/index.html>