

GUIDELINES FOR USE OF BED RAILS

FACILITY CHECKLIST

- ___ Modify Admissions Policy to Include Provisions of PA 437
- ___ Measurements of Residents
 - ___ Recorded in Medical Record
- ___ Documentation of Measurements for Gaps
- ___ Equipment and Device Safety
- ___ Resident and Bed Safety
- ___ Documentation of Corrective Actions
- ___ Resident Assessment for Bed Rail Use, Including Risks and Alternatives
- ___ Obtain Signatures on Consent Forms
- ___ Written Physician Orders Specifying Medical Determinations and Circumstances
- ___ Conduct Staff Training
 - ___ Direct Care Staff
 - ___ Maintenance and Environmental Services Staff
 - ___ Modify Orientation of New Staff to Include Provisions of PA 437
- ___ Initiate 5 day Observation Periods for Newly Installed Bed Rails
- ___ Initiate Quarterly Care Plan Review of Bed Rails Use and Equipment
- ___ Initiate Review of Bed and Device Safety at Least Every 60 days after the Initial 5
 - ___ Maintenance Log