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Emergency planning and preparedness.

- (A) Each residential facility shall develop and implement a set of written procedures for staff and residents to follow in emergencies and disasters. These procedures shall be developed in consultation with, and approved by, a local or state fire inspector, and shall include specific instructions and procedures for the evacuation of buildings, the assignment of staff during emergencies, and a contingency plan for the care of residents who have been evacuated. If the residential facility cares for children who are physically or emotionally handicapped, the facility emergency procedures shall further include specific instructions as to the evacuation of these children.

- (B) Each residential facility shall ensure that all staff and children are familiar with its emergency procedures.

- (C) Each residential facility shall, in consultation with state or local fire personnel, develop, and implement, a calendar of periodic fire drills and emergency evacuations at varying times and shifts. A log of all such drills or evacuations shall be maintained. The evacuation plan shall be approved by a fire inspector and clearly posted in each facility so that it may be easily seen by all children . Fire drills shall occur at least once each month or in accordance with the calendar of periodic drills developed with fire personnel.

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