

## Federal Resident and Family Council Regulations

### §483.10(f)(5)-(7)<sup>1</sup> Participation in resident and family groups:

- (5) The resident has a right to organize and participate in resident groups in the facility.
- (i) The facility must provide a resident or family group, if one exists, with private space; and take reasonable steps, with the approval of the group, to make residents and family members aware of upcoming meetings in a timely manner.
  - (ii) Staff, visitors, or other guests may attend resident group or family group meetings only at the respective group's invitation.
  - (iii) The facility must provide a designated staff person who is approved by the resident or family group and the facility and who is responsible for providing assistance and responding to written requests that result from group meetings.
  - (iv) The facility must consider the views of a resident or family group and act promptly upon the grievances and recommendations of such groups concerning issues of resident care and life in the facility.
    - (A) The facility must be able to demonstrate their response and rationale for such response.
    - (B) This should not be construed to mean that the facility must implement as recommended every request of the resident or family group.
- (6) The resident has a right to participate in family groups.
- (7) The resident has a right to have family member(s) or other resident representative(s) meet in the facility with the families or resident representative(s) of other residents in the facility.

<sup>1</sup>Electronic Code of Federal Regulations, PART 483—REQUIREMENTS FOR STATES AND LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES, §483.10 Resident Rights

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