

## *WV Veterans Nursing Facility*

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### **PURPOSE**

WVVNF smoking policy is designed to address local, state and federal regulations regarding smoking in long term care facilities and takes into account the safety, health and well-being of all residents.

### **POLICY**

According to the regulations of the Harrison-Clarksburg Health Department, smoking is prohibited indoors and within 20 feet outside of any entry/exit. Section 1004. B states: "Smoking shall be prohibited in all enclosed facilities within a place of employment without exception. This includes common work areas, auditoriums, classrooms, conference and meeting rooms, private offices, elevators, hallways, medical facilities, cafeterias, employee lounges, stairs, restrooms, vehicles, and all other enclosed facilities.

### **NO RESIDENT WILL BE PERMITTED TO SMOKE ON FACILITY PROPERTY, EITHER INSIDE OR OUTSIDE THE FACILITY.**

The resident must agree not to begin smoking while a resident at the facility. Any resident found smoking on facility grounds may be discharged from the facility according to applicable state and federal laws.

### **See also:**

Nursing  
Administration  
Harrison-Clarksburg Health Department  
Resident Handbook