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144.6503 FACILITIES FOR ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE OR RELATED DISORDER.

- (a) If a nursing facility serves persons with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders, whether in a segregated or general unit, the facility's direct care staff and their supervisors must be trained in dementia care.
 - (b) Areas of required training include:
 - (1) an explanation of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders;
 - (2) assistance with activities of daily living;
 - (3) problem solving with challenging behaviors; and
 - (4) communication skills.

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- (c) The facility shall provide to consumers in written or electronic form a description of the training program, the categories of employees trained, the frequency of training, and the basic topics covered.
 - (d) The facility shall document compliance with this section.
- (e) The commissioner of health has enforcement authority under section 144A.10, subdivision 1, to ensure compliance of the training requirements in this section.
- (f) At each facility inspection under section 144A.10, subdivision 2, if the facility is not in compliance, the commissioner has authority to issue a correction order under section 144A.10, subdivision 4.

History: 2003 c 37 s 1; 2008 c 230 s 2