

9515.3080 PROGRAM SAFETY AND RULES FOR BEHAVIOR.

Subpart 1. **Program safety.** The license holder must develop and follow policies and procedures for maintaining a secure and orderly environment that is safe for persons in treatment and staff and supportive of the treatment program.

Subp. 2. **Written rules for behavior and consequences of violations.** The license holder must specify rules of behavior for persons in treatment that are consistent with maintaining program safety and supportive of the person's rights to treatment. The rules must be in writing and must include a range of consequences that may be imposed for violation of the rules. The license holder must review and approve the written rules and range of consequences at least annually.

The license holder must give each person in treatment a copy of the rules and consequences in a handbook or comparable format at the time of admission. If a person is unable to understand the written rules and consequences, the license holder must make the rules and consequences available in a form that the person can understand.

The license holder must also give each staff member a copy of the written rules and consequences and ensure that the contents are discussed in the orientation required by part 9515.3070.

Subp. 3. **Criteria for written rules.** The written rules and consequences in subpart 2 must:

A. regulate only behavior that endangers persons in treatment or others or threatens the license holder's ability to maintain the order and safety of the treatment program; and

B. be clearly and objectively stated in terms of observable behavior.

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