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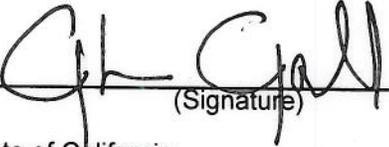
**PARTICIPATION COMMENTS FOR THE NOTICE DATED AUGUST 24, 2012**  
Written comments are to be sent to the above address.

**WRITTEN COMMENT DEADLINE: OCTOBER 8, 2012**

Date: 10/5/12

From:

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I/We (do)(do not) agree with:

The Agency proposed modifications As Submitted on Section No. 1226.4.13.2

and request that this section or reference provision be recommended:

Approved     Disapproved     Held for Further Study     Approved as Amended

**Suggested Revisions to the Text of the Regulations:**

**1226.4.13.2 Medication station. Provision shall be made for distribution of medications. This shall be done from a medicine preparation room or a self-contained medicine dispensing unit.**

**1226.4.13.2.1 Medicine preparation room or area. When provided, the medicine preparation room or area shall be under the visual control of the staff. This may be a part of the administrative center or nurse station and shall include all of the following:**

1. Work counter
2. Sink
3. Lockable refrigerator
4. Convenient access to handwashing fixture

**5. Locked storage for biologicals and drugs** [Highlighted language relocated from section 1226.4.13.2]

*When a medicine preparation room or area is to be used to store self-contained medicine dispensing units, the room shall be designed with adequate space to prepare medicines with the self-contained medicine-dispensing units present.*

**1226.4.13.2.2 Self-contained medicine-dispensing unit.** *When provided, the location of a self-contained medicine-dispensing unit shall be permitted in the clean workroom or at the administrative center or nurses' station provided there is adequate security for medications and adequate lighting to easily identify drugs. Convenient access to handwashing fixture shall be provided.*

**Reason:** The nine-point criteria basis for this comment includes items: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8.

This proposal adds language to section 1226.4.13.2 and relocates originally proposed language from 1226.4.13.2 to 1226.4.13.2.1; the remainder of section 1226.4.13.2.1 remains unchanged. As originally formatted the language could have been misconstrued to require two (2) handwashing fixtures when the medicine preparation area was provided as part of the administrative center or nurse station.

## HEALTH & SAFETY CODE SECTION 18930

### SECTION 18930. APPROVAL OR ADOPTION OF BUILDING STANDARDS; ANALYSIS AND CRITERIA; REVIEW CONSIDERATIONS; FACTUAL DETERMINATIONS

- (a) Any building standard adopted or proposed by state agencies shall be submitted to, and approved or adopted by, the California Building Standards Commission prior to codification. Prior to submission to the commission, building standards shall be adopted in compliance with the procedures specified in Article 5 (commencing with Section 11346) of Chapter 3.5 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code. Building standards adopted by state agencies and submitted to the commission for approval shall be accompanied by an analysis written by the adopting agency or state agency that proposes the building standards which shall, to the satisfaction of the commission, justify the approval thereof in terms of the following criteria:
- (1) The proposed building standards do not conflict with, overlap, or duplicate other building standards.
  - (2) The proposed building standard is within the parameters established by enabling legislation and is not expressly within the exclusive jurisdiction of another agency.
  - (3) The public interest requires the adoption of the building standards.
  - (4) The proposed building standard is not unreasonable, arbitrary, unfair, or capricious, in whole or in part.
  - (5) The cost to the public is reasonable, based on the overall benefit to be derived from the building standards.
  - (6) The proposed building standard is not unnecessarily ambiguous or vague, in whole or in part.
  - (7) The applicable national specifications, published standards, and model codes have been incorporated therein as provided in this part, where appropriate.
    - (A) If a national specification, published standard, or model code does not adequately address the goals of the state agency, a statement defining the inadequacy shall accompany the proposed building standard when submitted to the commission.
    - (B) If there is no national specification, published standard, or model code that is relevant to the proposed building standard, the state agency shall prepare a statement informing the commission and submit that statement with the proposed building standard.
  - (8) The format of the proposed building standards is consistent with that adopted by the commission.
  - (9) The proposed building standard, if it promotes fire and panic safety as determined by the State Fire Marshal, has the written approval of the State Fire Marshal.