STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State/Territory: Iowa

ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Survey and Certification Education Program

The State has in effect the following survey and certification period educational program for the staff and residents (and their representatives) of nursing facilities in order to present current regulations, procedures, and policies.

The Department of Human Services has a contract with the Iowa Foundation for Medical Care which includes providing educational programs to nursing facility staff. Programs have been presented on residents rights, assessments, care planning, restraints, rehabilitative nursing, pressure ulcer prevention, urinary incontinence care, and mental health.

In cooperation with the Department of Inspection and Appeals' Division of Health Facilities, which is the state survey agency, these projects are selected to improve the quality of care provided to residents of nursing facilities.

In addition, Department of Inspections and Appeals staff present numerous programs on various segments of the OBRA regulations to facility staff.