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202 Household Chemicals

Assessment

The Interdisciplinary Team determines who is able to use household chemicals based on each client's ability to use products safely with or without supervision. Only clients considered capable of handling specific substances shall use any substances defined as "hazardous" or labeled "warning", "caution" or "danger". These assessments should be placed in the client's files and at the front of the communication log or post. The assessments should be updated annually at the Interdisciplinary Team Meeting to maintain accuracy.

The staff must receive training on client access to household chemicals before beginning work at any location.

Labeling

The care staff should properly label all disinfectants, pesticides, poisons and other toxic substances.

Storage

Store any household chemical deemed hazardous in a locked cabinet unless all clients in the home are assessed as capable of handling the substance.

Store all disinfectants, pesticides, poisons and other toxic substances separate from all food products.

Store all paints in a safe manner and as instructed on the manufacturer's label.

Store all gasoline, kerosene and all other combustible materials and liquids in a safe manner and as instructed on the manufacturer's label. CICL prohibits staff from storing combustibles in the home or apartment, including the garage,. The staff must store combustibles in a building or storage device that is not attached to the home or apartment and is at least 20 feet from the home or apartment.