

4655.3500 FILING AND DISPOSITION OF RECORDS.

Subpart 1. **Physical control of records.** The patient or resident care record shall be incorporated into an individual folder and filed at the nurses' or attendants' station, a central control point for the storage of records and medications.

Subp. 2. **Disposition of discharged patient records.** The records of discharged patients or residents shall be promptly completed and filed in the home.

Subp. 3. **Confidentiality of patient records.** Patients' or residents' medical records and patient care plans in nursing homes shall be considered confidential but they shall be made available to all persons in the home who are responsible for the care of the patient or resident and they shall be open to inspection by representatives of the department.

Subp. 4. **Transfer of patient records.** When a patient or resident is discharged to another care facility pertinent information relative to the person's care shall accompany the patient or resident.

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