

4.1 Common Elements for Residential Care and Support Facilities

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4.1-1.1 Application

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4.1-1.1.1.1 Elements in this chapter, which are common to most types of residential care and support facilities, shall be required only when they are referenced from a specific facility chapter in Part 4:

- Assisted living facilities (Chapter 4.2)
- Independent living settings (Chapter 4.3)

4.1-1.1.1.2 The common elements in Part 2 of the *Guidelines for the Design and Construction of Residential Health, Care, and Support Facilities* shall apply to residential care and support facilities when they are referenced in a facility chapter either directly or through a reference in this chapter.

Note: Cross-references include the section as identified by number and heading and all its subsections, unless otherwise noted.

4.1-1.1.2 Design Criteria

4.1-1.1.2.1 Sustainable design. See Section 2.2-2 (Sustainable Design Criteria) for requirements for residential care and support facilities.

4.1-1.1.2.2 Bariatric design criteria. If the care population includes bariatric needs, see Section 2.2-3 (Bariatric Design Criteria) for requirements.

4.1-1.1.2.3 Dementia, mental health, and cognitive and developmental disability design criteria. If the care population includes residents with dementia, mental health issues, or cognitive and developmental disabilities, see Section 2.2-4 (Design Criteria for Dementia, Mental Health, and Cognitive and Developmental Disability Facilities) for requirements.

4.1-1.2 Functional Program

4.1-1.2.1 General

See Section 1.2-2 (Functional Program), Section 1.2-3 (Resident Safety Risk Assessment), and facility chapters in Part 4 for requirements.

4.1-1.2.2 Shared Services and Space

4.1-1.2.2.1 The types of residential care and support facilities described in Part 4 of the *Guidelines for Residential Care Facilities* shall be permitted to be freestanding facilities or distinct parts of another residential care and support facility, a residential health care facility, or a continuing care retirement community.

4.1-1.2.2.2 Each residential care and support facility shall, at minimum, contain the elements described in the applicable paragraphs of this chapter. However, when a project calls for sharing or purchasing services from another entity, appropriate modifications in space and parking requirements shall be permitted.

APPENDIX

A4.1-1 The types of residential care and support facilities described in Part 4 of the *Guidelines for the Design and Construction of Residential Health, Care, and Support Facilities* may be freestanding facilities or distinct parts of a continuing care retirement community.