



**PRAIRIE NORTH REGIONAL
HEALTH AUTHORITY**

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Number: 15012(P)
Category: Continuing Care – LTC
Title: Night Rounds of Residents
Procedure

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PROCEDURE

- Nursing staff in long term care will perform nightly residents' rounds at a minimum of every two hours.
- Nursing staff must enter the resident's room to perform a visual check of the resident to ensure resident is in bed and the resident is in no apparent physical distress.
- Each resident who requires to be turned shall be turned.
- Any resident who is awake and requires toileting will be assisted to be toileted.
- Each resident who wears incontinent product will have their product checked and changed if required.
- Each resident's room shall be checked to ensure call bell is within reach of the resident, but will not cause injury to the resident.
- Each resident's room shall be checked to ensure no furnishing or equipment will impede the resident's path to the door and/or bathroom.
- Each resident's bed will be checked to ensure the bed is in the lowest position in accordance with Falls Prevention Program.
- If the resident's physical and/or mental condition should be deteriorating, resident's rounds may be performed more frequently.