

EVERGREEN NURSING & REHABILITATION CARE CENTER
HEAT WAVE PROCEDURE

1. Bedside pitchers are filled with ice at 7:00AM, 2:00PM, 7:00PM.
2. Hydration Island is available to offer pts. / Visitors iced drinks at 1:30PM, 6:30PM, and PRN.
3. Pts are to be dressed in light weight loose fitting clothing.
4. Staff is to encourage extra fluid intake.
5. Staff members are to monitor and offer residents and visitors in the smoking area (outside) iced drinks.
6. Staff is to interview the alert/oriented pts. as to their comfort level in regards to the temperature of the facility and make adjustments accordingly.
7. Message alerts will be sent via ECS communication for hydration and temperature control.
8. Dietary department will place extra fluids on all meal trays, IE: Jell-O, ice cream, Popsicles will also be offered as snacks.
9. Dietary department is ordering extra ice, to be delivered as needed for all shifts.
10. Portable fans will be placed throughout the facility, for added air circulation.
11. Comfort Air will inspect the chillers during a heat wave.
12. Arrangements for and ancillary chiller and generator can be made if necessary.
13. Maintenance Department will monitor the temperature throughout the facility.

14. **The after hour Department of Health emergency phone number is:**

(559)-437-1500 DHS FRESNO, CA. (MON. – FRI. 9-5)
(559) – 437 – 1555 (FAX) FOR SOC 341
1-800 – 554 – 0351 after hours unusual occurrence
15. The dining room 2 windows will be papered, to reduce the afternoon buildup of heat d/t sunlight penetration.
16. Dr. Nirmal Rai (Medical Director) is to be informed of the situation and guidance as needed. Phone 531 - 0552.