

**WAC 388-97-4380 Plan of correction.** (1) The licensee or nursing home must, within ten calendar days of notification of the cited deficiencies prepare, sign, date and provide to the department a detailed written plan of correction. Such plan of correction will provide notification to the department of the date by which the nursing home will complete the correction of cited deficiencies. The plan of correction must be completed regardless of whether the licensee requests an informal department review in accordance in WAC 388-97-4420.

(2) A plan of correction is not required for deficiencies at a severity level 1/isolated scope as described in WAC 388-97-4500, unless specifically requested by the department.

(3) In the case of actual or imminent threat to resident health or safety/immediate jeopardy (severity level 4 as described in WAC 388-97-4500), the department may require the licensee or nursing home to submit a document alleging that the imminent threat has been removed within a time frame specified by the department. The document must specify the steps the nursing home has taken or will take to correct the imminent harm. An allegation that the imminent harm has been removed does not substitute for the plan of correction as required by subsection (1) of this section but it will become a part of the completed plan of correction.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 18.51 and 74.42 RCW and 42 C.F.R. 489.52. WSR 08-20-062, § 388-97-4380, filed 9/24/08, effective 11/1/08.]