Emergency Use of Restraints

It is the practice of our facility to comply with federal and state laws governing the emergency use of restraints. In the absence of the law, our facility shall employ the following policy:

> Physical restraints may be used based on professional judgment to prevent harm to a resident or others, or to provide medical treatment to proceed unless the facility has notice that the resident has previously made a valid refusal of the treatment in question. The restraint cannot be used beyond 12 hours. The resident's legal representative/interested party and physician will be notified within 12 hours of restraint use.

Addendum _____

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