

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE
BUREAU OF HUMAN SERVICES LICENSING
Community Residential Rehabilitation Services for the Mentally III
(55 Pa.Code Chapter 5310)

Q/A - Regulatory Clarifications – October 2015

The clarifications and interpretations below will remain on the Department's web site until the information is included in the next updated Regulatory Compliance Guide (RCG).

Regulation: § 5310.73(d)(3) – Physical Plant Requirements

§ 5310.73(d) - Each CRRS site shall meet the following physical requirements:

(3) Portable space heaters may not be used. Space heaters may be used if they are adequately vented, mounted in an exterior wall, installed with permanent connections and protectors and have been inspected and approved by the local fire department.

Question: Must PTAC units (Packaged Terminal Air Conditioner) be hard-wired?

ANSWER: If the PTAC unit is designed to be plugged into a normal outlet, and is installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, then the PTAC unit does not need to be hard-wired.