



**SUPERIOR CARE GROUP**

QUALITY AGED CARE SINCE 1979

**Subject: ALCOHOL**  
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**Approved By: Head Of Operations**  
**Distribution: All Staff**

**PURPOSE:**

To inform staff and residents of their rights and responsibilities, in relation to the consumption of alcohol.

**POLICY:**

**1. Residents**

- Residents are free to consume alcohol. However, they are asked to discuss possible interaction with medications with their medical practitioner.
- Residents are able to keep alcohol in their own refrigerator or cupboard. Alternatively, alcohol may be stored in the ward refrigerator or locked cupboard and requests for issue made to the Registered Nurse on duty.
- Residents are expected to conduct themselves in a manner in keeping with the values and standards of the facility and maintaining individual safety whilst not compromising the safety of staff or others.

**2. Staff**

- Consumption of alcohol and/or being under the influence of the effects of alcohol consumption by **on duty** staff is **prohibited** and will lead to disciplinary action.
- Off Duty Staff consumption of alcohol on the facility premises is limited to "special celebrations" as approved by the management.