



**Requirement**

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BHC: The organization conducts an environmental risk assessment that identifies features in the physical environment that could be used to attempt suicide; the organization takes necessary action to minimize the risk(s) (for example, removal of anchor points, door hinges, and hooks that can be used for hanging).

Note: Noninpatient behavioral health care settings and unlocked inpatient units do not need to be ligature resistant. The expectation for these settings is to conduct a risk assessment to identify potential environmental hazards to individuals served, identify individuals who are at high risk for suicide, and take action to safeguard these

**Rationale**

The health care environment, inclu9 (n)-1-lrrnvarrrueaiocvnrlltmeea2-2s.8 (io)2 (c(r)-8.3 (e)

**Rationale** (cont.)



Reference\*

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. "Suicide Care in Systems Framework." Waltham, MA: SAMHSA, Suicide Prevention Resource Center, Clinical Care