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Due to COVID-19 health concerns, MDHHS recognizes that Child Caring Institutions (CCI) may experience a need to designate or make alternate sleeping arrangements for youth residing within their facility that are not in compliance with Licensing Rule R400.4137:

Sleeping rooms (1) allows residents to remain in their rooms for up to 30 minutes to accommodate staff shift change. Subsections (3) and (4) require minimum square footage in sleeping rooms for single and multiple occupants. Subsection (5) requires a 2-way monitoring device for a locked sleeping room in a secure institution.

Effective immediately, until at least 4/20/20, if a CCI experiences a need to temporarily move youth from assigned sleeping rooms to other spaces, including non-traditional sleeping spaces or spaces in other buildings on a facility's campus, a variance request must be submitted to the Division of Child Welfare Licensing (DCWL) for approval: MDHHS-DCWL-TA@michigan.gov.

If a variance is approved by DCWL for R400.4137, the CCI program must develop an interim plan designed to maintain resident safety.

**Please note that all COVID-19 related communications will be revisited, at minimum, every two weeks, unless additional interim guidance is needed.*