

Common Problems that Make Patient Rooms Inaccessible

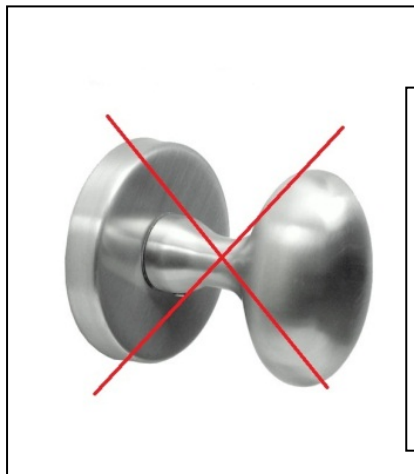
- Chairs, trays, bins, and other things are placed in accessible routes, maneuvering spaces at doors, clear floor spaces for fixtures, and/or turning spaces needed for individuals using wheelchairs or other mobility aids. (EXAMPLES: [LEFT] the trash bin blocks the maneuvering clearance at the door; [CENTER] the trash bin blocks the side-transfer space at the toilet; [RIGHT] the trash bin blocks the knee/toe clearance under the lavatory.)



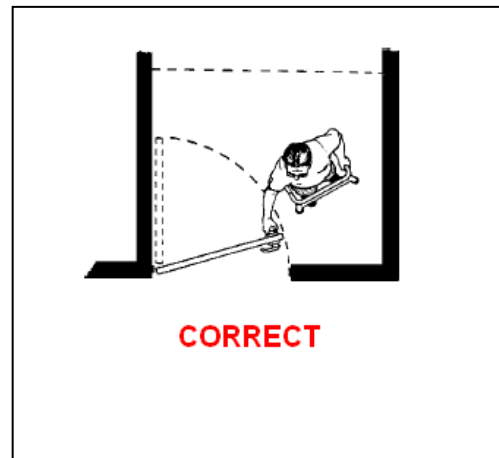
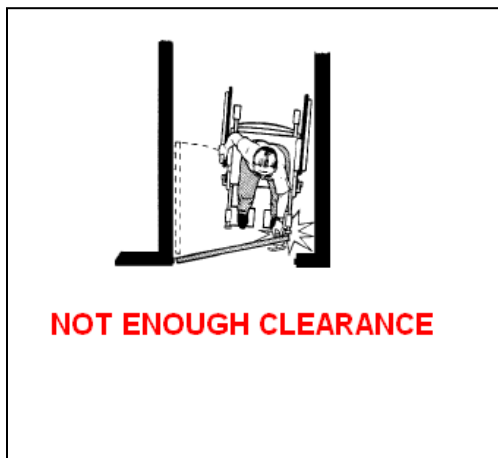
- Beds are pushed either too close together or too close to the bathroom, making it difficult to open the bathroom door.



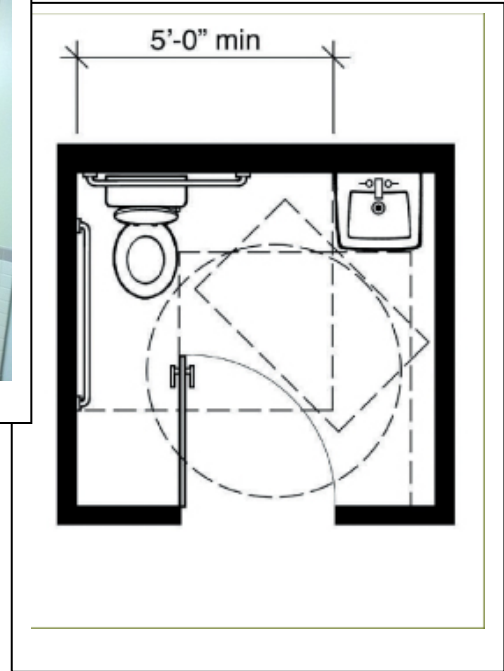
- The door is too narrow to get into the bathroom (doors must have at least 32" of clear width with the door open 90 degrees).
- Door hardware is incorrect. Door hardware must be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist. If a user cannot operate the hardware with a closed fist, it probably is not accessible.



- The door to the bathroom does not have the appropriate maneuvering clearance.



- There is not enough space for turning around in the bathroom.
- There is not enough clear space next to the toilet (due to the toilet being in alcove or other obstruction) to allow safe transfer.
- Grab bars are missing or mounted incorrectly.
- Flush controls are mounted too high.
- Flush controls are NOT mounted toward the open side of the toilet.
- The toilet is too low to allow for safe transfer.



- The shower spray unit is broken, and can no longer be used as a fixed shower head.

