

449.61224 Perfusion team: Use required; qualifications; approval of members by surgeon of record

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An approved hospital shall use a perfusion team, which must include a senior perfusionist who is responsible for the supervision of all perfusion services provided by the team.

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The senior perfusionist must be certified by the American Board of Cardiovascular Perfusionists. The other perfusionists of the heart-lung bypass machine must be certified or eligible for certification by the Board.

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The senior perfusionist and the other perfusionists must: (a) Be trained in: (1) Aseptic techniques required in an operating room; (2) Perfusion physiology; and (3) The use of monitoring equipment; and (b) Have a general understanding of commonly performed cardiac surgical procedures.

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The cardiac surgeon of record shall approve each perfusionist involved with the surgeon's patients as being competent to operate the heart-lung bypass machine properly before allowing that person to operate the machine during open-heart surgery.