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Chapter 61@ DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

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Subchapter 61-17@ STANDARDS FOR LICENSING NURSING HOMES

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Section 61-17.1000.1004@ Physician Services (II)

## **61-17.1000.1004 Physician Services (II)**

### **A.**

Each resident or responsible party shall designate a physician licensed to practice in South Carolina for the supervision of the care and treatment of the resident. 1. Residents shall be seen by the attending physician at least once every sixty (60) days, unless more frequent visits are indicated. EXCEPTION: Another legally authorized healthcare provider who is authorized by the attending physician in writing, may make the sixty (60) day visits and the resident or the resident's responsible party shall be notified in writing of the person who will be making the visits in lieu of the attending physician. 2. A facility shall not restrict a resident's or responsible party's choice in attending physician coverage, provided that the physician agrees to, and demonstrates that he or she will provide care in accordance with facility policies and procedures.

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**B.**

Residents who have an attending physician licensed in a state other than South Carolina shall have thirty (30) days from admission to establish an attending physician licensed in South Carolina. (I)

**C.**

Each resident shall be informed of the name, specialty, and a way of contacting the physician responsible for his or her care.

**D.**

At least one (1) physician shall be available on call at all times.