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Title 22@ Social Security

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Division 5@ Licensing and Certification of Health Facilities, Home Health Agencies, Clinics, and Referral Agencies

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Section 70455@ Comprehensive Emergency Medical Service Staff

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A full-time physician trained and experienced in emergency medical service shall have overall responsibility for the service. The physician or her or his designee shall be responsible for: (1) Implementation of established policies and procedures. (2) Providing continuous staffing with physicians trained and experienced in emergency medical service. Such physicians shall be assigned to and be located in the emergency service area 24 hours a day. (3) Providing experienced physicians in specialty categories to be available in-house 24 hours a day. Such specialties include but are not limited to medicine, surgery, anesthesiology, orthopedics, neurosurgery, pediatrics and obstetrics-gynecology.

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All physicians, dentists and podiatrists providing services in the emergency room shall be members of the organized medical staff.

(c)

A registered nurse qualified by education and/or training shall be responsible for nursing care within the service.

(d)

All registered nurses shall have training and experience in emergency lifesaving and life support procedures.

(e)

A registered nurse trained and experienced in emergency nursing care shall be on duty at all times.

(f)

There shall be sufficient licensed nurses and other skilled personnel on duty as required to support the services.