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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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Chapter 1@ General Acute Care Hospitals

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Article 7@ Administration

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Section 70706.2@ Standardized Procedures

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(a)

The Committee on Interdisciplinary Practice shall be responsible for: (1) Identifying functions and/or procedures which require the formulation and adoption of standardized procedures under Section 2725 of the Business and Professions Code in order for them to be performed by registered nurses in the facility, and initiating the preparation of such standardized procedures in accordance with this section. (2) The review and approval of all such standardized procedures covering practice by registered nurses in the facility. (3) Recommending policies and procedures for the authorization of employed staff registered nurses to perform the identified functions and/or procedures. These policies and procedures may be administered by the Committee on Interdisciplinary Practice or by delegation to the director of nursing.

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Each standardized procedure shall: (1) Be in writing and show date or dates of approval including approval by the Committee on Interdisciplinary Practice. (2) Specify the standardized procedure functions which registered nurses are authorized to perform and under what circumstances. (3) State any specific requirements which are to be followed by registered nurses in performing all or part of the functions covered by the particular standardized procedure. (4) Specify any experience, training or special education requirements for performance of the functions. (5) Establish a method for initial and continuing evaluation of the competence of those registered nurses authorized to perform the functions. (6) Provide for a method of maintaining a written record of those persons authorized to perform the functions. (7) Specify the nature and scope of review and/or supervision required for the performance of the standardized procedure functions; for example, if the function is to be performed only under the immediate supervision of a physician, that limitation must be clearly stated. If physician supervision is not required, that fact should be clearly stated. (8) Set forth any specialized circumstances under which the registered nurse is to communicate immediately with a patient's physician concerning the patient's condition. (9) State any limitations on settings or departments within the facility where the standardized procedure functions may be performed. (10) Specify any special requirements for procedures relating to patient recordkeeping. (11) Provide fo

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If nurses have been approved to perform procedures pursuant to a standardized procedure, the names of the nurses so approved shall be on file in the office of the director of nursing.