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§484.75(c)(2) Rehabilitative therapy services are provided under the supervision of an occupational therapist or physical therapist that meets the requirements of §484.115(f) or (h), respectively.

Interpretive Guidelines §484.75(c)(2)

An assistant must be supervised by a skilled therapy professional for the assistant's respective therapy type. For example, only a physical therapist may supervise a physical therapist assistant and only an occupational therapist may supervise an occupational therapy assistant. The applicable therapist should monitor and evaluate the therapy assistant's performance *regarding* provision of treatments, patient education, communication with the therapist, and data collection regarding the patient's status and health needs (as delegated by the therapist). Only the skilled therapist may perform comprehensive assessments, patient evaluations, care planning and discharge planning.