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§483.410(a)(1) The governing body must exercise general policy, budget, and operating direction over the facility.

Guidance §483.410(a)(1)

The governing body develops, monitors, and revises, as necessary, policies and operating directions which ensure the necessary staffing, training resources, equipment and environment to provide clients with active treatment and to provide for their health and safety.

Direction by the Governing Body includes areas such as health, safety, sanitation, maintenance and repair, and utilization and management of staff.

Condition level operational deficiencies may be associated with a failure by the Governing Body to exercise general direction of the facility.