

§482.62(g)(2) The number of qualified therapists, support personnel, and consultants must be adequate to provide comprehensive therapeutic activities consistent with each patient's active treatment program.

Interpretive Guidelines §482.62(g)(2)

Qualified staff should complete their respective discipline assessments for use in multidisciplinary treatment planning. Specific role(s) and modalities to be implemented by rehabilitative staff must be determined by goals set in the patient's treatment plan.

Qualified therapists who provide clinical services and administrative staff should utilize established monitoring and evaluation mechanisms to conduct consistent timely review of the quality and appropriateness of therapeutic and rehabilitative services delivered to patients.

Survey Procedures §482.62(g)(2)

Is there evidence that sampled patients and staff are familiar with the goals and staff interventions described in the patient's treatment plan? Are these observed interventions being carried out? What is the patient's response? Are these interventions and activities of sufficient frequency and intensity to achieve maximum therapeutic benefit?

What are the qualifications, experience, duties and responsibilities of the Therapeutic Activities Director and discipline supervisor(s)?

How is the program organized?

Did the patients in the sample have a need for any therapeutic activities? Were their needs met?

Did any of the patients in the sample indicate a need for therapeutic activities, but none were considered?

What kinds of services are provided to the patient population?

Are activity areas/sites accessible and available to meet the patient's individual needs?
Are the facilities and resources adequate to enable implementation of goals set in the patient's treatment plan?

Does the program utilize available community resources to provide opportunities for socialization, leisure, and therapeutic and/or rehabilitation activities for patients who can participate outside the hospital setting?

Are current activity schedules clearly posted for patient and staff reference and use? Are the scheduled activities related to the particular patient area and specific treatment needs of patients?

Are patient needs met consistently at all times including evenings and weekends?

If a large number of patients are assigned to the same therapeutic activity, do patients have individualized goals within their treatment plans?

Why have therapeutic activities staff been deployed in the manner they have?