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Chapter 3@ Skilled Nursing Facilities

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(a)

Skilled nursing facilities shall provide, but shall not be limited to, the following required services: physician, skilled nursing, dietary, pharmaceutical and an activity program.

(b)

Skilled nursing facilities caring for patients who are mentally disordered and whose needs for a special treatment program are identified shall also meet the requirements for a special treatment program service.

(c)

Skilled nursing facilities providing intermediate care services shall do so in a distinct part separately approved by the Department and shall be in conformity with the licensing regulations for the type of service provided in that distinct part. The facility license shall indicate approval of the distinct part by the Department.

(d)

Written arrangements shall be made for obtaining all necessary diagnostic and therapeutic services prescribed by the attending physician, podiatrist, dentist, or clinical psychologist subject to the scope of licensure and the policies of the facility. If the service cannot be brought into the facility, the facility shall assist the patient in arranging for transportation to and from the service location.

(e)

Arrangements shall be made for an advisory dentist to participate at least annually in the staff development program for all patient care personnel and to approve oral hygiene policies and practices for the care of patients.

(f)

The facility shall ensure that all orders, written by a person lawfully authorized to prescribe, shall be carried out unless contraindicated.

(g)

The facility shall make arrangements for a physician or physicians to be available to furnish emergency medical care if the attending physician, or designee, is unavailable. The telephone numbers of those physicians shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the facility.