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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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Section 73469@ Occupational Therapy Service Unit

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Occupational therapy is a service ordered by the licensed healthcare practitioner acting within the scope of his or her professional licensure, in which selected purposeful activity is used as treatment in the rehabilitation of persons with a physical or emotional disability.

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An occupational therapy service unit shall meet the following requirements: (1) Health records shall contain pertinent information on the patient and procedures for obtaining signed medical orders. (2) Notes shall indicate procedures performed and be signed by the occupational therapist. (3) Initial evaluation, treatment plan and discharge summary shall be written and posted in each patient's health record. (4) Progress notes shall be written and signed on each visit by the occupational therapist. (5) Personnel policies shall define the occupational therapy director's responsibilities and the duties assigned to the

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