

## **73501 Licensee-General Duties**

### **(a)**

The licensee shall be responsible for compliance with licensing requirements and for the organization, management, operation and control of the licensed facility.

### **(b)**

The licensee, if a licensed administrator, may act as the administrator or shall appoint a licensed administrator to carry out the policies of the licensee. A responsible adult shall be appointed, in writing, to carry out the policies of the licensee in the absence of the administrator. If the licensed administrator is to be absent for more than 30 consecutive days, the licensee shall appoint another licensed administrator to carry out the day-to-day functions of the intermediate care facility.

### **(c)**

The licensee shall delegate to the designated licensed administrator in writing authority to organize and carry out the day-to-day functions of the intermediate care facility through appropriate delegation of duties.

### **(d)**

Except where provided for in approved continuing care agreements, no intermediate care facility, owner, administrator, employee or representative thereof shall act as guardian, or conservator of the patient or the estate or both of such intermediate care facility.

**(e)**

The licensee shall employ an adequate number of qualified personnel to carry out all the functions of the facility and shall provide for initial orientation of all new employees, a continuing in-service training program and competent supervision.

**(f)**

If language or communication barriers exist between intermediate care facility staff and a significant number of patients, arrangements shall be made for interpreters or for the use of other mechanisms to insure adequate communication between patients and personnel.