

79311 Professional Staff

(a)

Each CDRH shall have a professional staff responsible to the governing body for the fitness, adequacy, and quality of service rendered to patients.

(b)

The professional staff shall be composed of personnel who, based on their education, life experience, training and/or licensure are qualified to render services to patients in the CDRH. The professional staff shall be limited to the following: physicians, clinical psychologists, psychological assistants, registered nurses, licensed vocational nurses, pharmacists, psychiatric technicians, physician's assistants, chemical dependency counselors, clinical social workers, and licensed marriage, family and child counselors.

(c)

All professional staff, prior to employment, shall be free of and have had the last two years free of any chemical dependency.

(d)

A chemical dependency counselor shall meet the following prerequisites: (1) Have successfully completed one academic year of preplanned and verified field experience in the area of care and treatment of chemically dependent persons; or (2) Have successfully completed one full year of supervised experience in counseling and/or care and treatment of the chemically dependent person in a

licensed facility or in a facility exempt from licensure which provided care and treatment to chemically dependent persons.

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(e)

In addition to subsection (d), a chemical dependency counselor shall meet all the criteria required by the CDRH's individual job description, including minimum education, training and/or experience.

(f)

There shall be at least annual documentation in each individual professional staff member's personnel record of demonstrated current competency to perform any and all assigned duties as required by the governing body, job description, and the intent of the program.

(g)

Periodic documentation of supervision by the medical director or the medical director's designee, who shall be a currently competent member of the professional staff, shall be entered into each professional staff member's personnel record when that professional staff member has failed to demonstrate current competency.

(h)

Rules and regulations approved by the governing body, shall provide for appropriate practices and procedures to be observed by the staff.