

**4658.0700 MEDICAL DIRECTOR.**

Subpart 1. **Designation.** A nursing home must designate a physician to serve as medical director.

Subp. 2. **Duties.** The medical director, in conjunction with the administrator and the director of nursing services, must be responsible for:

A. the development of resident care policies and procedures that are to be approved by the licensee;

B. implementation of resident care policies;

C. the development of standards of practice for medical care to provide guidance to attending physicians;

D. the medical direction and coordination of medical care in the nursing home, including serving as liaison with attending physicians, and periodic evaluation of the adequacy and appropriateness of health professional and supportive staff and services to meet the medical needs of residents;

E. surveillance of the health status of the nursing home's employees as it relates to the performance of their assigned duties;

F. periodic advisement to the director of nursing services to ensure a quality level of delegated medical care provided to residents; and

G. participation, or designation of another physician for participation, on the quality assessment and assurance committee as required by part 4658.0070.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 144A.04; 144A.08; 256B.431*

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