4.8 Social Services

(a) The facility must provide medically-related social services to attain or maintain the highest practicable physical, mental and psychosocial well being of each resident.

(b) A facility with more than 120 beds must employ a qualified social worker on a full-time basis.

(c) A qualified social worker is an individual with the following qualifications:

(1) both

   (i) a bachelor’s degree in social work or a bachelor’s degree in a human services field including but not limited to sociology, special education, rehabilitation counseling, and psychology, and

   (ii) one year of supervised social work experience in a health care setting working directly with individuals;

(2) or a demonstrated ability to provide medically related social services to attain or maintain the highest practicable physical, mental, and psychosocial well-being of each resident.