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44:04:01:01. Definitions.

Terms defined in SDCL 34-12-1.1 have the same meaning in this article. In addition, terms used in this article mean:

...(2) "Activities coordinator," a person who is a therapeutic recreation specialist or activity professional eligible for certification from the National Certification Council of Activity Professionals, who has two years of experience in a social or recreational program within the last five years, one year of which was full-time in a patient activities program in a health care setting, or who is a qualified occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant under SDCL chapter 36-31 or who has completed a training program.

...(66) "Therapeutic activity," any purposeful activity outside of activities of daily living that fosters social, emotional, physical, cognitive, and mental well-being.

44:04:12:02. Activities program. A planned activities program must be provided with therapeutic activities designed to meet the needs and interests of individual patients or residents. An activities coordinator must be in charge of the activities program in nursing facilities and hospitals which admit swing-bed patients. Supplies and equipment must be provided for activities to satisfy the individual interests of patients or residents.

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