R432-150-5. Scope of Services.

...(2) A skilled level of care facility must provide 24-hour licensed nursing services.

...(d) A skilled level of care facility shall provide services to residents that preserve current capabilities and prevent further deterioration including the following:

...(iii) physical therapy;

(e) The facility shall provide the following services as required by the resident care plan:

(i) respiratory therapy,

(ii) occupational therapy, and

(iii) speech therapy.


(1) If the nursing care facility provides its own radiology services, these facility must comply with R432-100-21, Radiology Services, in the General Acute Hospital Rule.

(2) A facility that provides specialized rehabilitative services may offer these services either directly or through agreements with outside agencies or qualified therapists. If provided, these services must meet the needs of the residents.

(a) The facility must provide space and equipment for specialized rehabilitative services in accordance with the needs of the residents.

(b) Specialized rehabilitative services may only be provided by therapists licensed in accordance with Utah law.

(c) All therapy assistants must work under the direct supervision of the licensed therapist at all times.

(d) Speech pathologists must have a "Certificate of Clinical Compliance" from the American Speech and Hearing Association.

(e) Specialized rehabilitative services may be provided only if ordered by the attending physician.

(i) The plan of treatment must be initiated by an attending physician and developed by the therapist in consultation with the nursing staff.
(ii) An initial progress report must be submitted to the attending physician two weeks after treatment is begun or as specified by the physician.

(iii) The physician and therapist must review and evaluate the plan of treatment monthly unless the physician recommends an alternate schedule in writing.

(f) The facility must document the delivery of rehabilitative services in the resident record.

R432-200-27. Specialized Rehabilitative Services. [small health care facilities]

(1) Organization.

(a) A facility that provides specialized rehabilitative services may offer these services directly or through agreements with outside agencies or qualified therapists.

(b) Services may be offered either on-site or off-site.

(c) If the facility does not provide specialized rehabilitative services, the facility shall neither admit nor retain residents in need of such services.

(2) Personnel.

(a) Specialized rehabilitative services shall be provided by qualified licensed therapists in accordance with Utah law and accepted practices.

(b) Therapists shall offer the full scope of services to the resident.

(c) All therapy assistants shall be qualified and shall work under the direct supervision of a licensed therapist at all times.

(d) Speech pathologists shall be licensed under Title 58, Chapter 41.

(3) Policies and Procedures.

(a) Services shall be provided only on the written order of an attending physician.

(b) Safe and adequate space and equipment shall be available commensurate with the needs of residents.

(c) An appropriate plan of treatment shall be initiated by an attending physician and developed by the therapist in consultation with the nursing staff.

(d) An initial progress report shall be submitted to the attending physician two weeks after treatment has begun or when specified by the physician.

(e) The physician and therapist shall review and evaluate the plan of treatment monthly, unless, the physician recommends an alternate schedule in writing.

(f) There shall be documentation in the resident's record of the specialized plan of treatment.