

## TENNESSEE

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...(11) Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy Services.

(a) Physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy shall be provided directly or through contractual agreement by individuals who meet the qualifications specified by nursing home policy, consistent with state law.

(b) A licensed physical therapist shall be in charge of the physical therapy service and a licensed occupational therapist shall be in charge of the occupational therapy service.

(c) Direct contact shall exist between the resident and the therapist for those residents that require treatment ordered by a physician.

(d) The physical therapist and occupational therapist, pursuant to a physician order, shall provide treatment and training designed to preserve and improve abilities for independent functions, such as: range of motion, strength, tolerance, coordination and activities of daily living.

(e) Therapy services shall be coordinated with the nursing service and made a part of the resident care plan.

(f) Sufficient staff shall be made available to provide the service offered.