HFS 132.62 Nursing services.

(3) NURSE STAFFING. In addition to the requirements of sub. (2), the following conditions shall be met:

(a) Total staffing. Each nursing home, other than nursing homes that primarily serve people with developmental disabilities, shall provide at least the following hours of service by registered nurses, licensed practical nurses or nurse’s assistants:

1. For each resident in need of intensive skilled nursing care,

3.25 hours per day, of which a minimum of 0.65 hour shall be provided by a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse.

2. For each resident in need of skilled nursing care, 2.5 hours per day, of which a minimum of 0.5 hour shall be provided by a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse.

3. For each resident in need of intermediate or limited nursing care, 2.0 hours per day, of which a minimum of 0.4 hour shall be provided by a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse.

... (h) Computing hours.

1. Only staff time related to the nursing service shall be counted to satisfy the requirements of this section.

2. When determining staff time to count toward satisfaction of the minimum nursing service hours in this section, the following duties of non–nursing personnel, including ward clerks, may be included:

a. Direct resident care, if the personnel have been appropriately trained to perform direct resident care duties;

b. Routine completion of medical records and census reports, including copying, transcribing, and filing;

c. Processing requests for diagnostic and consultative services, and arranging appointments with professional services;

d. Ordering routine diets and nourishments; and

e. Notifying staff and services of pending discharges.
3. No services provided by volunteers may be counted toward satisfaction of this requirement