

(B) The medical care of each resident is supervised by a physician and surgeon.

(C) A physician and surgeon performs the initial visit and alternate required visits.

(b) This section does not authorize benefits not otherwise authorized by federal or state law or regulation.

(c) All responsibilities undertaken by a nurse practitioner pursuant to this section shall be performed in collaboration with the physician and surgeon and pursuant to a standardized procedure among the physician and surgeon, nurse practitioner, and facility.

(d) Except as provided in subdivisions (a) to (c), inclusive, any task that is required by federal law or regulation to be performed personally by a physician may be delegated to a nurse practitioner who is not an employee of the long-term health care facility.

(e) Nothing in this section shall be construed as limiting the authority of a long-term health care facility to hire and employ nurse practitioners so long as that employment is consistent with federal law and with the scope of practice of a nurse practitioner.

Citation

Alternate physician visits by NPs-Federal authorization found in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (OBRA) 1999 and Section 483.40 of the Federal Rules and Regulations (Federal Register, September 28, 1991) State authorization is found in California Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 14111 and 14111.5.