

Ohio Revised Code

Section 3727.51 Hospital-wide nursing care committee.

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- (A) Each hospital shall convene a hospital-wide nursing care committee not later than ninety days after the effective date of this section or, if the hospital is not treating patients on the effective date of this section, ninety days after the hospital begins to treat patients. The hospital shall select the members of the committee, subject to all of the following:
- (1) The hospital's chief nursing officer shall be included as a member of the committee.
- (2) At least fifty per cent of the committee's membership shall consist of registered nurses who provide direct patient care in the hospital.
- (3) The number of registered nurses included as members of the committee shall be sufficient to provide adequate representation of all types of nursing care services provided in the hospital.
- (B) The committee member who is the hospital's chief nursing officer shall establish a mechanism for obtaining input from nurses in all inpatient care units who provide direct patient care regarding what the nursing services staffing plan recommendations described in division (B) of section 3727.52 of the Revised Code should include.