



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 3701-19-19 Physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy services.

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(A) Each hospice care program shall provide or arrange for the provision of physical therapy, occupational therapy, or speech or language therapy unless the provision of those services is waived by the director pursuant to division (A)(7) of section 3712.03 of the Revised Code and paragraph (C) of this rule. The services shall be adequate in frequency to meet the needs of the hospice patients.

(B) Physical therapy services, occupational therapy services and speech or language therapy services must be offered in a manner consistent with accepted standards of practice for the provision of service to hospice patients.

(C) The director may waive the requirement for providing physical therapy, occupational therapy, or speech or language therapy when the requirement would create a hardship because the therapy is not readily available in the geographic area served by the provider of the hospice care program. A request for a waiver under this paragraph shall be submitted to the director in writing and shall be accompanied by documentation of the number and location of therapists in the area served by the program and of the efforts that the program has made to engage those therapists and to encourage other therapists to serve the area.

(D) Physical therapy shall be provided by a person who is licensed as a physical therapist under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code and who meets the requirements under Chapter 3701-13 of the Administrative Code.

(E) Occupational therapy shall be provided by a person who is licensed as an occupational therapist under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code and who meets the requirements under Chapter 3701-13 of the Administrative Code.

(F) Speech or language therapy shall be provided by a person who is licensed as a speech pathologist or audiologist under Chapter 4753. of the Revised Code and who meets the requirements under Chapter 3701-13 of the Administrative Code.