



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 4731-25-02 General provisions.

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(A) Anesthesia services in the office setting shall be provided only by physicians and osteopathic physicians licensed pursuant to Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code; podiatric physicians licensed pursuant to Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code and practicing within the scope of practice for podiatric physicians; and certified registered nurse anesthetists licensed pursuant to Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code and practicing within the scope of practice for certified registered nurse anesthetists; and only in accordance with Chapter 4731-25 of the Administrative Code.

(B) Nothing in this chapter of the Administrative Code shall be interpreted to permit a podiatric physician to perform surgery or special procedures in an office setting using general anesthesia.

(C) Nothing in this chapter of the Administrative Code shall be interpreted to prohibit a registered nurse with the appropriate education and training from carrying out a physician's order to maintain a patient within an intensive care unit of a hospital at the level of sedation determined by the physician to be appropriate and necessary for that patient's care, so long as the patient remains within the intensive care unit with appropriate monitoring and so long as the physician's order is written in compliance with all applicable laws.

(D) A physician or podiatric physician shall not perform on more than one patient at the same time special procedures or surgery using moderate sedation/analgesia or anesthesia services.

(E) A certified registered nurse anesthetist providing moderate sedation/analgesia or anesthesia services in the office setting shall be under the direction of a podiatric physician acting within the podiatric physician's scope of practice in accordance with section 4731.51 of the Revised Code or a physician, and, when administering anesthesia, the certified registered nurse anesthetist shall be in the immediate presence of the podiatric physician or physician. For purposes of this chapter of the Administrative Code, a physician shall not be considered to have supervised the administration and monitoring of moderate sedation/analgesia or anesthesia services if the moderate sedation/analgesia or anesthesia services were administered and monitored by a physician anesthesiologist.



(F) "Surgery" shall not be interpreted so as to prohibit a registered nurse from performing tasks that are within the scope of practice of the registered nurse, so long as the registered nurse's activities are in accordance with Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code.

(G) This chapter of the Administrative Code shall not apply to surgeries or special procedures in which the level of anesthesia is limited to minimal sedation as that term is defined in this chapter of the Administrative Code, or which use only local or topical anesthetic agents, and which are performed in an office setting except that liposuction procedures performed under tumescent local anesthesia shall be subject to the provisions of rule 4731-25-05 of the Administrative Code.

(H) Special procedures or surgery utilizing moderate sedation/analgesia or anesthesia services shall be performed in the office setting only on patients who are evaluated as level P1 or P2 according to the American society of anesthesiologists physical status classification system current at the effective date of this rule.

(I) A special procedure or surgery that is prohibited by rule of the Administrative Code or law of the Revised Code to be performed in a hospital or ambulatory surgical facility shall not be performed in an office setting.