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**Unlicensed supportive personnel.**

- (A) A chiropractic physician is responsible for the care of his or her patients. Such responsibility includes ensuring that all unlicensed supportive personnel are competent and properly qualified by education, training, and/or experience to perform their assigned duties.
- (B) A chiropractic physician may delegate certain professional responsibilities to unlicensed supportive personnel who are qualified by education, training, and/or experience to perform such duties.
- (C) Unlicensed supportive personnel means an individual or individuals who are on the job trained by a chiropractic physician and who participate in chiropractic patient care delivery. Unlicensed supportive personnel do not hold professional licensure and work under the direction of a chiropractic physician utilizing their education, training, and/or experience to perform designated tasks and duties related to the practice of chiropractic. This does not include any activity that would require performance, clinical interpretation and/or treatment by a licensed professional.
- (D) A licensed chiropractic physician must properly supervise all unlicensed supportive personnel to whom responsibilities are delegated. Properly supervise within the meaning of this rule is defined as on-site initial and ongoing direction, procedural guidance, observation, and evaluation by a licensed chiropractic physician.
- (E) Professional responsibilities shall only be delegated by the order of a licensed chiropractic physician. Professional responsibilities within the meaning of this rule include:
- (1) Taking measurements for height, weight, blood pressure, respiration, pulse, and temperature;
  - (2) Recording observable signs and symptoms;
  - (3) Collecting bodily fluids for diagnostic purposes;
  - (4) Applying hot and/or cold packs;
  - (5) Applying mechanical traction;
  - (6) Applying electrical stimulation;
  - (7) Applying vasopneumatic devices;

(8) Applying diathermy;

(9) Applying therapeutic ultrasound;

(10) Exercise instruction and supervision of exercise activities;

(11) Supervision of therapeutic procedures;

(12) Assist patients to safely perform activities related to the development of strength and endurance;

(13) Other services or procedures as deemed appropriate by the board.

(F) A chiropractic physician shall not delegate duties to unlicensed supportive personnel in a negligent manner.

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