

(3) An *occupational therapy assistant* must meet the requirements in part 484 of this chapter.

(4) A *physical therapist* must meet the requirements in part 484 of this chapter.

(5) A *physical therapist assistant* must meet the requirements in part 484 of this chapter.

(6) A *social worker* must meet the requirements in part 484 of this chapter.

(7) A *vocational specialist* is a person who has a baccalaureate degree and—

(i) Two years experience in vocational counseling in a rehabilitation setting such as a sheltered workshop, State employment service agency, etc.; or

(ii) At least 18 semester hours in vocational rehabilitation, educational or vocational guidance, psychology, social work, special education or personnel administration, and 1 year of experience in vocational counseling in a rehabilitation setting; or

(iii) A master's degree in vocational counseling.

(8) A nurse practitioner is a person who must:

(i) Be a registered professional nurse who is authorized by the State in which the services are furnished to practice as a nurse practitioner in accordance with State law; *and*

(ii) Be certified as a nurse practitioner by a recognized national certifying body that has established standards for nurse practitioners; *or*

(iii) Be a registered professional nurse who is authorized by the State in which the services are furnished to practice as a nurse practitioner in accordance with State law and have been granted a Medicare billing number as a nurse practitioner by December 31, 2000; *or*

(iv) Be a nurse practitioner who on or after January 1, 2001, applies for a Medicare billing number for the first time and meets the standards for nurse practitioners in paragraphs (c)(8)(i) and (c)(8)(ii) of this section; *or*

(v) Be a nurse practitioner who on or after January 1, 2003, applies for a Medicare billing number for the first time and possesses a master's degree in nursing and meets the standards for nurse practitioners in paragraphs (b)(1)(i) and (b)(1)(ii) of this section.

(9) A *clinical nurse specialist* is a person who must:

(i) Be a registered nurse who is currently licensed to practice in the State where he or she practices and be authorized to perform the services of a clinical nurse specialist in accordance with State law;

(ii) Have a master's degree in a defined clinical area of nursing from an accredited educational institution; *and*,

(iii) Be certified as a clinical nurse specialist by the American Nurses Credentialing Center.

(10) A *physician assistant* is a person who:

(i) Has graduated from a physician assistant educational program that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs; *or*

(ii) Has passed the national certification examination that is administered by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants; *and*

(iii) Is licensed by the State to practice as a physician assistant.

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§ 485.707 Condition of participation: Compliance with Federal, State, and local laws.

The organization and its staff are in compliance with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws and regulations.

(a) *Standard: Licensure of organization.* In any State in which State or applicable local law provides for the licensing of organizations, a clinic, rehabilitation agency, or public health agency is licensed in accordance with applicable laws.

(b) *Standard: Licensure or registration of personnel.* Staff of the organization are licensed or registered in accordance with applicable laws.

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§ 485.709 Condition of participation: Administrative management.

The clinic or rehabilitation agency has an effective governing body that is legally responsible for the conduct of