

The Mississippi Board of Nursing voted on April 3, 2009, to Adopt the following proposed revisions to Chapter IV.2.3c.(3) of the *Mississippi Board of Nursing Rules and Regulations*:

(Additions are underlined and deletions have a strike through.)

Chapter IV, Advanced Practice 2.3 Practice Requirements

c. (3) Each collaborative/consultative relationship shall include and implement a formal quality assurance/quality improvement program which shall be maintained on site and shall be available for inspection by representatives of the Mississippi Board of Nursing and Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure. The quality assurance/quality improvement program criteria shall consist of:

1. ~~On-site~~ Review by ~~primary~~ collaborative physician of a sample of charts that represent 10% or 20 charts, whichever is less, of patients seen by the ~~nurse practitioner~~ advanced practice registered nurse every month. Charts should represent the variety of patient types seen by the ~~nurse practitioner~~ advanced practice registered nurse. Patients that the ~~nurse practitioner~~ advanced practice registered nurse and collaborating physician have consulted on during the month will count as one chart review.
2. The ~~nurse practitioner~~ advanced practice registered nurse shall maintain a log of charts reviewed ~~monthly~~ which includes the identifier for the patients' charts, reviewers' names, and dates of review. ~~The monthly logs will be maintained in a specified location in the practice site of the nurse practitioner, known to the site administrator and collaborating physician.~~
3. Each advanced practice registered nurse shall meet face to face with a collaborating physician once per quarter for the purpose of quality assurance.
3. ~~Suggested areas for review should include:~~
 - a. ~~Adequate assessment performed with appropriate lab work and diagnostic studies.~~
 - b. ~~Diagnosis corresponds with findings of assessment.~~
 - c. ~~Plan of care is determined according to accepted standards of care.~~
 - d. ~~Adverse events.~~