range of services necessary in the treatment of the types of disabilities it accepts for service.

(c) **Standard: Personnel qualified to provide physical therapy services.** Physical therapy services are provided by, or under the supervision of, a qualified physical therapist. The number of qualified physical therapists and qualified physical therapist assistants is adequate for the volume and diversity of physical therapy services offered. A qualified physical therapist is on the premises or readily available during the operating hours of the organization.

(d) **Standard: Supportive personnel.** If personnel are available to assist qualified physical therapists by performing services incident to physical therapy that do not require professional knowledge and skill, these personnel are instructed in appropriate patient care services by qualified physical therapists who retain responsibility for the treatment prescribed by the attending physician.


§ 485.715 **Condition of participation: Speech pathology services.**

If speech pathology services are offered, the organization provides an adequate program of speech pathology and has an adequate number of qualified personnel and the equipment necessary to carry out its program and to fulfill its objectives.

(a) **Standard: Adequate program.** The organization is considered to have an adequate outpatient speech pathology program if it can provide the diagnostic and treatment services to effectively treat speech disorders.

(b) **Standard: Facilities and equipment.** The organization has the equipment and facilities required to provide the range of services necessary in the treatment of the types of speech disorders it accepts for service.

(c) **Standard: Personnel qualified to provide speech pathology services.** Speech pathology services are given or supervised by a qualified speech pathologist and the number of qualified speech pathologists is adequate for the volume and diversity of speech pathology services offered. At least one qualified speech pathologist is present at all times when speech pathology services are furnished.


§ 485.717 **Condition of participation: Rehabilitation program.**

This condition and standards apply only to a rehabilitation agency's own patients, not to patients of hospitals, skilled nursing facilities (SNFs), or Medicaid nursing facilities (NFs) to which the agency furnishes services. The hospital, SNF, or NF is responsible for ensuring that qualified staff furnish services for which they arrange or contract for their patients. The rehabilitation agency provides physical therapy and speech-language pathology services to all of its patients who need them.

(a) **Standard: Qualification of staff.** The agency’s therapy services are furnished by qualified individuals as direct services and/or services provided under contract.

(b) **Standard: Arrangements for services.** If services are provided under contract, the contract must specify the term of the contract, the manner of termination or renewal and provide that the agency retains responsibility for the control and supervision of the services.

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§ 485.719 **Condition of participation: Arrangements for physical therapy and speech pathology services to be performed by other than salaried organization personnel.**

(a) **Conditions.** If an organization provides outpatient physical therapy or speech pathology services under an arrangement with others, the services are to be furnished in accordance with the terms of a written contract, which provides that the organization retains of professional and administrative responsibility for, and control and supervision of, the services.

(b) **Standard: Contract provisions.** The contract—

(1) Specifies the term of the contract and the manner of termination or renewal;