(A) Policy Statement

All employees of Rehabilitation Services will be responsible for the supervision of patients during treatment.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To provide a safe environment for employees and patients of the Rehabilitation Service areas.

(C) Procedure

1. Patients must be supervised by qualified personnel at all times when undergoing treatment.
2. Proper precautions and instructions in handling of patients must be given to all personnel.
3. Children or agitated/disoriented patients on stretchers or treatment tables will not be left unattended.
4. Patients identified as a risk for suicide or self harm will be supervised consistent with Nursing Services Policy 3364-110-09-14.
5. Patients waiting on stretchers for transportation will be secured by using side rails.
6. Timers will be used when applying time-limited modalities.
7. A therapist will be within call of all patients undergoing treatment; call systems are given to patients not directly attended.
8. Patients will be instructed to report any uncomfortable sensations.