

169.32 Supervising veterinarian.

1. A licensed veterinarian may provide veterinary medical services to an animal patient by acting as a supervising veterinarian as provided in [this subchapter](#) and rules adopted by the board.

2. A supervising veterinarian shall determine the supervision required for tasks delegated to veterinary auxiliary personnel within the limits provided in [this subchapter](#) and rules adopted by the board. The decision must be based on factors such as the veterinary auxiliary personnel's training, experience, and skill. The supervising veterinarian is responsible for providing the required supervision and delegating tasks to veterinary auxiliary personnel. The supervising veterinarian shall not delegate veterinary medical services of diagnosis, prescription, or surgery to any veterinary assistant, veterinary technician student, or registered veterinary technician.

3. The board shall adopt rules providing for when a licensed veterinarian must exercise immediate supervision, direct supervision, or indirect supervision for each category of auxiliary veterinary personnel providing authorized veterinary medical services to an animal patient. Nothing in [this subchapter](#) or the rules adopted by the board shall prohibit the supervising veterinarian from providing more supervision than required when the veterinary auxiliary personnel's training, experience, and skill indicate more supervision is necessary.

[2023 Acts, ch 155, §11, 24](#)

Referred to in [§169.36, 169.37, 169.38, 169.39, 169.40](#)