

481—722.6(148G,272C) Practice of polysomnography.

722.6(1) The practice of polysomnography consists of but is not limited to the following tasks as performed for the purpose of polysomnography, under the general supervision of a licensed physician or qualified health care professional prescriber:

a. Monitoring, recording, and evaluating physiologic data during polysomnographic testing and review during the evaluation of sleep-related disorders, including sleep-related respiratory disturbances, by applying any of the following techniques, equipment, or procedures:

(1) Noninvasive continuous, bilevel positive airway pressure, or adaptive servo-ventilation titration on spontaneously breathing patients using a mask or oral appliance; provided, however, that the mask or oral appliance does not extend into the trachea or attach to an artificial airway.

(2) Supplemental low-flow oxygen therapy of less than six liters per minute, utilizing a nasal cannula or incorporated into a positive airway pressure device during a polysomnogram.

(3) Capnography during a polysomnogram.

(4) Cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

(5) Pulse oximetry.

(6) Gastroesophageal pH monitoring.

(7) Esophageal pressure monitoring.

(8) Sleep stage recording using surface electroencephalography, surface electrooculography, and surface submental electromyography.

(9) Surface electromyography.

(10) Electrocardiography.

(11) Respiratory effort monitoring, including thoracic and abdominal movement.

(12) Plethysmography blood flow monitoring.

(13) Snore monitoring.

(14) Audio and video monitoring.

(15) Body movement monitoring.

(16) Nocturnal penile tumescence monitoring.

(17) Nasal and oral airflow monitoring.

(18) Body temperature monitoring.

b. Monitoring the effects that a mask or oral appliance used to treat sleep disorders has on sleep patterns; provided, however, that the mask or oral appliance does not extend into the trachea or attach to an artificial airway.

c. Observing and monitoring physical signs and symptoms, general behavior, and general physical response to polysomnographic evaluation and determining whether initiation, modification, or discontinuation of a treatment regimen is warranted.

d. Analyzing and scoring data collected during the monitoring described in this subrule for the purpose of assisting a physician in the diagnosis and treatment of sleep and wake disorders that result from developmental defects, the aging process, physical injury, disease, or actual or anticipated somatic dysfunction.

e. Implementation of a written or verbal order from a physician or qualified health care professional prescriber to perform polysomnography.

f. Education of a patient regarding the treatment regimen that assists the patient in improving the patient's sleep.

g. Use of any oral appliance used to treat sleep-disordered breathing while under the care of a licensed polysomnographic technologist during the performance of a sleep study, as directed by a licensed dentist.

722.6(2) Before providing any sleep-related services, a polysomnographic technician or polysomnographic student who is obtaining clinical experience will give notice to the board that the person is working under the direct supervision of a respiratory care and polysomnography practitioner or a polysomnographic technologist in order to gain the experience to be eligible to sit for a national certification examination. A badge that appropriately identifies the person is to be worn while providing such services.

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