

481—53.12(135J) Social services. Social services shall be planned and provided or supervised by a person who has at least a bachelor's degree in social work from a school approved by the council on social work education. The social worker shall at least:

1. Consider the emotions and social support system of the patient and family;
2. Assess the ability of the family and the patient to function socially and to deal with their emotions;
3. Identify patient and family social service needs;
4. Participate on the IDT to develop and amend the plan of care;
5. Provide services in accordance with the plans of care developed by the IDT;
6. Document services provided and observations made regarding patient and family response and status; and
7. Cooperate and communicate with other providers and the family to enhance the continuity of care.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 135J.3(2).