

## Chapter H 24

## HOSPITAL REGULATION AND APPROVAL

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**H 24.01 Organization and administration.** (1) **ORGANIZATION.** The organization should consist of a supreme governing body qualified to administer a hospital. This may be a board of trustees or directors, a partnership or an individual. Such a board, partnership or individual must assume final authority and responsibility for the administration.

(2) **ADMINISTRATION.** There shall be an executive officer or administrator with authority and responsibility for the operation of the hospital in all its functions, subject only to the policies enacted by the governing body and to such orders as it may issue.

(3) **MEDICAL STAFF.** It is recommended that there shall be an organized staff of physicians responsible to the governing body for the clinical and scientific work of the hospital, for the quality of all medical and hospital care rendered, and for the ethical standards of practice in the hospital.

(4) **DEPARTMENTALIZATION.** The organization of the hospital shall include departmentalization commensurate with its size and functions which will promote the highest quality of medical care and operating efficiency.

**H 24.02 Physical plant.** (1) **CONSTRUCTION.** The design and construction of all new buildings and structures, including additions to existing buildings to be used as a hospital; all existing buildings and structures to be converted to use as a hospital and all existing buildings and structures now being used as a hospital shall comply with applicable orders of the industrial commission and applicable rules and regulations of the state board of health and other state departments.

**H 24.03 Special regulations.** (1) **MATERNITY CARE IN HOSPITALS.** The rules and regulations for maternity hospitals and homes adopted by the board of health in accordance with authority granted under sections 48.43 to 48.47, Wis. Stats., shall apply to all hospitals coming under the statutory definitions provided under section 48.43 (1), Wis. Stats.

(2) **HOSPITALS CONSTRUCTED WITH FEDERAL AID.** Hospitals constructed with the assistance of federal grants-in-aid provided for under Public Law 725 as amended shall comply with the minimum standards prescribed for the maintenance and operation of such hospitals as authorized by section 140.18, Wis. Stats.