

# Alabama Department of Public Health Bureau of Health Provider Standards

## Activity Certification

An activity director (qualified professional) is responsible for directing the development, implementation, supervision and ongoing evaluation of the activities program.

A person is a qualified professional if they meet any one of the qualifications listed under the Federal Regulation **F249 §483.15(f)(2)** Which states:

The activities program must be directed by a qualified professional who:

- (i) Is a qualified therapeutic recreation specialist or an activities professional who:
  - (A) Is licensed or registered, if applicable, by the State in which practicing; and
  - (B) Is eligible for certification as a therapeutic recreation specialist or as an activities professional by a recognized accrediting body on or after October 1, 1990; or
- (ii) Has 2 years of experience in a social or recreational program within the last 5 years, one of which was full-time in a patient activities program in a health care setting; or
- (iii) Is a qualified occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant; or
- (iv) Has completed a training course approved by the State.