



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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Sheri Bankston, CTRS  
Quality of Life Consultation Services  
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Dear Ms. Bankston,

Thank you for your submission of your curriculum to provide an educational foundation for Activity Professionals working in a variety of settings such as Nursing Homes. We have reviewed your curriculum inclusive of your objectives, table of contents, and supporting documentation which summarize your 36-40 hour course.

As a result of our review, this letter serves as approval of your course and confirms that your program will support the requirements described in the State Operations Manual, Appendix PP, 42 CFR §483.24 (c)(2)(ii)(D) *Quality of Life, Qualifications of Activity Professional*, as indicated below.

*§483.24(c)(2) The activities program must be directed by a qualified professional who is a qualified therapeutic recreation specialist or an activities professional who—*

- (i) Is licensed or registered, if applicable, by the State in which practicing; and*
- (ii) Is:*

- (A) 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*
- (B) Has 2 years of experience in a social or recreational program within the last 5 years, one of which was full-time in a therapeutic activities program; or*
- (C) Is a qualified occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant; or*
- (D) Has completed a training course approved by the State.*

Again, thank you for submission of your curriculum, and we wish you success with your program.

Regards,

Marilynn Winborne, Director  
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