

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



SUBJECT: PHYSICIAN OF RECORD

POLICY NO. 310.1

PURPOSE:: To ensure that the Physician of Record for each inpatient in a County health facility is identified in the patient's medical record.

POLICY:: The Chief of Service (Department Chairman) shall designate a specific licensed physician within each service as the Physician of Record. This shall be the physician who is directly overseeing the care of the patient. In some cases, this may be the head or staff physician in each specialized service, or the most senior resident physician.

At all times, the name of the current Physician of Record shall be clearly indicates in each inpatient's medical record.

GUIDE:: Each Medical Director in each Health Services Region shall implement this policy for each inpatient facility, in accordance with the guidelines set forth above.

AUTHORITY:: Californial Administrative Code, Title 22
Medicare Conditions of Participation

EFFECTIVE DATE: Jul 20, 1977

SUPERCEDES:

APPROVED: Signature on File
