

**CHAPTER 145. PROFESSIONAL LIBRARY SERVICES****GENERAL PROVISIONS**

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**Cross References**

This chapter cited in 28 Pa. Code § 101.31 (relating to hospital requirements).

**GENERAL PROVISIONS****§ 145.1. Principle.**

Library services shall be made available in the hospital to the medical and hospital staff. There shall be books, periodicals, and other materials appropriate to meet their needs.

**§ 145.2. [Reserved].****Source**

The provisions of this § 145.2 reserved September 19, 1980, effective September 20, 1980, 10 Pa.B. 3761. Immediately preceding text appears at serial pages (37919) and (37920).

**§ 145.3. Librarian.**

(a) Hospitals providing extensive library services should have the services of at least one full-time librarian.

(b) When there is no full-time librarian, a suitably trained person should be available to provide library services.

(c) The librarian or person designated in charge of library services shall be a member of the library committee if there is one.

**Authority**

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**§ 145.4. Services.**

The professional library services of the hospital should include:

- (1) The ability to suggest references and sources of information, as well as the ability to find facts within a reasonable period of time.
- (2) The ability to respond to a reasonable request, either to produce published matter from the library's own collection or to acquire it from source libraries.
- (3) The ability to provide audio-visual material and equipment.

**§ 145.5. Materials.**

Commonly used current reference material shall be provided in the hospital. These shall include Index Medicus or an abridged Index Medicus and other pertinent indices, basic books, and journals in the fields in which the hospital provides services, as well as books in basic sciences such as anatomy, physiology, pathology, biochemistry, and pharmacology.

**§ 145.6. Procedures.**

The librarian or library committee shall develop procedures governing the circulation of library materials, including accurate control of loans and the handling of photo-reproduction requests. Although a priority system of library privileges may be established, the professional library services shall be available to all hospital staff and employees, regardless of position.

**Authority**

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**§ 145.7. Catalogue.**

A cross-reference catalogue of the book holdings of the library should be maintained to provide access at least by subject and author. A complete record of all other holdings should be maintained.

**§ 145.8. Facilities.**

Each hospital should provide a professional library-reading room.

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