



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 4731-18-02 Use of light based medical devices.

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(A) The application of light based medical devices to the human body is the practice of medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine and surgery.

(B) A physician shall not delegate the application of light based medical devices for ablative procedures.

(C) A physician may delegate the application of a vascular laser for non-ablative dermatologic procedures according to the requirements in paragraph (A) of rule 4731-18-03 of the Administrative Code.

(D) A physician may delegate the application of light based medical devices for the purpose of hair removal according to the requirements of section 4731.33 of the Revised Code.

(E) A physician may delegate the application of phototherapy for the treatment of hyperbilirubinemia in neonates according to the requirements in paragraph (A) of rule 4731-18-04 of the Administrative Code.

(F) A physician may delegate the application of phototherapy and photodynamic therapy only for dermatologic purposes according to the requirements of paragraphs (B) and (C) of rule 4731-18-04 of the Administrative Code.

(G) A violation of paragraph (B) of this rule shall constitute "a departure from, or the failure to conform to, minimal standards of care of similar practitioners under the same or similar circumstances, whether or not actual injury to a patient is established," as that clause is used in division (B)(6) of section 4731.22 of the Revised Code and "violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of, or conspiring to violate, any provisions of this chapter or any rule promulgated by the board," as that clause is used in division (B)(20) of section 4731.22 of the Revised Code, to wit: section 4731.41 of the Revised Code.