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ORIGINAL

D. DIRECT SUPERVISION - ~~Direct supervision means on-site, in-view observation and~~

~~guidance by a speech language pathologist while an assigned clinical activity is performed by a~~

~~speech language pathology assistant or speech language pathology aide.~~ Direct supervision means on-site, in-view observation and guidance by an SLP while an assigned activity is performed by support personnel. Direct supervision performed by the supervising SLP may include, but is not limited to, the following: observation of a portion of the screening or treatment procedures performed by the SLPA, coaching the SLPA, and modeling for the SLPA. The supervising SLP must be physically present during all services provided to a medically fragile client by the SLPA (e.g., general and telesupervision). The SLP can view and communicate with the patient and SLPA live via real time telecommunication technology to supervise the SLPA, giving the SLP the opportunity to provide immediate feedback. This does not include reviewing a taped session later.

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