

## Standards Clarification

# Doctor of Podiatric Medicine Performing the Entire History and Physical for a Patient Admitted for Care

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### Manual/Standards

AMAL		Not Applicable
AMOBS		Not Applicable
AMPPO		Not Applicable
CAMAC	2002-2003	Not Applicable
CAMBHC	2001-2003	Not Applicable
CAMHCN	1998-2000	Not Applicable
CAMHC	2001-2002	Not Applicable
CAMH-TOH		MS.6.2.2
CAMLTC	2002-2003	Not Applicable
CAMMBHC	1997	Not Applicable
CAMPCLS	2000-2001	Not Applicable

### Issue

Can a Doctor of Podiatric Medicine perform the entire history and physical for a patient receiving services surveyed under the hospital accreditation standards?

### Clarification

Yes, as noted in standard MS.6.2.2, "other licensed independent practitioners who are permitted to provide patient care services independently may perform all or part of the medical history and physical examination, if granted such privileges."

It is consistent with MS.6.2.2 for qualified, credentialed and privileged Doctors of Podiatric Medicine to independently perform all or part of the medical history and physical examination, subject to applicable state law and the determination by the medical staff that high risk patients require confirmation or endorsement of the history and physical by a qualified physician.

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