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# OHIO REVISED CODE ANNOTATED TITLE XLVII. OCCUPATIONS-PROFESSIONS CHAPTER 4731. PHYSICIANS; LIMITED PRACTITIONERS PODIATRIC MEDICINE AND SURGERY

### §4731.51 Practice of podiatric medicine and surgery

The practice of podiatric medicine and surgery consists of the medical, mechanical, and surgical treatment of ailments of the foot, the muscles and tendons of the leg governing the functions of the foot; and superficial lesions of the hand other than those associated with trauma. Podiatrists are permitted the use of such preparations, medicines, and drugs as may be necessary for the treatment of such ailments. The podiatrist may treat the local manifestations of systemic diseases as they appear in the hand and foot, but the patient shall be concurrently referred to a doctor of medicine or a doctor of osteopathic medicine and surgery for the treatment of the systemic disease itself. General anaesthetics may be used under this section only in colleges of podiatric medicine and surgery approved by the medical board pursuant to section 4731.53 of the Revised Code and in hospitals approved by the joint commission on the accreditation of hospitals, or the American osteopathic association. The use of x-ray or radium for therapeutic purposes is not permitted.

Cite to: Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4731.51 (West 2006). Current through 2005 File 63 and 2006 File 64 of the 126th General Assembly (2005-2006) approved by January 30, 2006, and filed with the Secretary of State by January 31, 2006.

### **Noteworthy case:**

The managing authorities of a hospital, whether public or private, under the power to adopt reasonable rules and regulations for the government and operation thereof, in the absence of any statutory restriction, may prescribe the qualifications of physicians and surgeons for admission to practice therein, and may adopt and enforce reasonable regulations concerning the qualifications of practitioners to engage in particular kinds of practice, or to perform particular kinds of operations, and also concerning the conditions under which operations, or particular kinds of operations or other services may be performed. *Davidson v. Youngstown Hospital Ass'n*, 19 Ohio App.2d 246, 250 N.E.2d 892, 48 O.O.2d 371 (Mahoning 1969).

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## OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TITLE 4731 MEDICAL BOARD CHAPTER 4731-20. PODIATRY

#### **§4731-20-01 Definition of foot**

(A) "Foot," as used in section 4731.51 of the Revised Code, is defined as the terminal appendage of the lower extremity and includes the ankle joint which consists of the tibial plafond, its posterolateral border (posterior malleolus), the medial malleolus, distal fibula (lateral malleolus) and the talus.

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### **§4731-20-02 Surgery: ankle joint**

- (A) A podiatric physician may perform surgery on the ankle joint, if:
- (1) The podiatric physician holds privileges to perform surgery on the ankle joint from one or more of the following entities:
- (a) A college of podiatric medicine and surgery approved by the board pursuant to section 4731.51 of the Revised Code;
- (b) A hospital approved by the joint commission on the accreditation of health care organizations or the American osteopathic association; or
- (c) An ambulatory surgical facility approved by the department of health pursuant to its authority under Chapter 3702. of the Revised Code; and
- (2) The podiatric physician can demonstrate adequate education, training and experience needed to conform to minimal standards of care of similar practitioners under the same or similar circumstances by meeting either of the following criteria:
- (a) Having attained board qualified status from the American board of podiatric surgery and having successfully completed at least a twenty-four month residency in podiatric surgery approved by the council on podiatric medical education, or
- (b) Holding privileges to perform surgery on the ankle joint from an institution meeting criteria under paragraph (A)(1) of this rule, providing that such privileges were granted prior to the effective date of this rule.

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(3) A podiatric physician who performs surgery on the ankle joint other than in accordance with all the terms of this rule violates divisions (B)(6) and (B)(20) of section 4731.22 of the Revised Code.

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