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## MULTI-PROFESSIONAL HEALTHCARE TEAMS IN AMBULATORY SETTINGS

- 1. Healthcare is getting increasingly complex in ambulatory settings.
- 2. The intervention of multiple health professionals with different but complementary skills is needed in order to provide all facets of a holistic care to the patients.
- 3. Multi-professional healthcare teams provide cost-efficient and higher quality care.
- 4. For the efficient functioning of multi-professional teams, common goals are the indispensable basic.
- 5. Independency of each health-profession is linked with a proper responsibility and liability.
- Task-shifting within healthcare teams requires that the performing healthcare
  professionals have appropriate training, experience and skills and are under
  close supervision of a physician. Under no circumstance may the quality of
  care delivered be compromised.
- 7. Physicians are best qualified to be the medical coordinators and supervisors of multi-professional healthcare teams.

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