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PURPOSE:

Adoption of a common standard for the credentialing of practitioners applicable for all Lee Memorial Health System (LMHS) hospitals and Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) facilities.

POLICY:

The Board of Directors directs the adoption of the following National Boards as the System standard for practitioners:

- American Board of Medical Specialties or legislated equivalent
- American Osteopathic Boards
- American Board of Podiatric Surgery
- American Board of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
- American Board of General Dentistry
- American Board of Pediatric Dentistry

LMHS recognizes approved subspecialties of these Boards either by examination or by ACGME credentialed and approved training where examinations are not provided by the parent Board.

LMHS may recognize subspecialty training from non-ACGME accredited programs supervised by an accredited parent on-site University department.

PROCEDURE:

Practitioners who meet these standards may apply to any individual LMHS hospital or ASC facility for membership and delineation of privileges which they wish to exercise. Following the process for appointment and privileging as set forth in the Medical Staff bylaws, a recommendation will be sent to the Board of Directors for final approval.

Applicants to the Medical Staff will be granted five years from eligibility to complete their certification in their chosen specialty.

Current members of the Medical Staff who do not meet or fail to maintain this System standard will be granted continuing privileges at their current level, but will not be eligible to transfer across the System except:

- In response to LMHS relocating their existing service to another facility;
- After re-credentialing at the member's request;
- At the request of the Board

The Medical Staff President of each hospital or ASC facility shall consult biannually at the time of reappointment with the Medical Director of each institution and report to the Board Liaison for Medical Credentialing that practitioners who have been granted "Grandfather" status continued to perform satisfactorily within their chosen specialty.