

Medical Status Definitions

Active Staff - physicians, dentists, oral surgeons, and podiatrists who:

- are involved in at least 24 patient contacts per two-year appointment term; and
- have expressed a willingness to contribute to Medical Staff functions and/or demonstrated a
 commitment to the Medical Staff and Hospital through service on Hospital or Medical Staff
 committees and/or active participation in performance improvement or professional practice
 evaluation functions.

Ambulatory Care Staff - physicians, dentists, oral surgeons, and podiatrists who:

- desire to be associated with, but who do not intend to establish a clinical practice at, this Hospital.
 Except as noted in (b), it is a membership-only category, with no clinical privileges being granted. The primary purpose of the Ambulatory Care Staff is to promote professional and educational opportunities, including continuing medical education, and to permit these individuals to access Hospital services for their patients by referral of patients to Active Staff members for admission and care;
- may wish to request only limited outpatient-related therapies for the care and treatment of their patients at the Hospital; and
- have indicated or demonstrated a willingness to assume all the responsibilities of membership on the Ambulatory Care Staff

Consulting Staff - physicians, dentists, oral surgeons, and podiatrists who:

 are of demonstrated professional ability and expertise who provide a service not otherwise available or in very limited supply on the Active Staff (should the service become readily available on the Active Staff, the Consulting Staff members would not be eligible to request continued Consulting Staff status at the time of their next reappointments);

- provide services at the Hospital only at the request of other members of the Medical Staff; and
- at each reappointment time, provide such quality data and other information as may be requested
 to assist in an appropriate assessment of current clinical competence and overall qualifications
 for appointment and clinical privileges (including, but not limited to, information from another
 hospital, information from the individual's office practice, information from insurers or managed
 care organizations in which the individual participates, and/or receipt of confidential evaluation
 forms completed by referring/referred to physicians).

Coverage Staff - physicians, dentists, oral surgeons, and podiatrists who:

- desire appointment to the Medical Staff solely for the purpose of being able to provide coverage assistance to Active Staff members who are members of their group practice or their coverage group;
- at each reappointment time, provide such quality data and other information as may be requested
 to assist in an appropriate assessment of current clinical competence and overall qualifications
 for appointment and clinical privileges (including, but not limited to, information from another
 hospital, information from the individual's office practice, information from managed care
 organizations in which the individual participates, and/or receipt of confidential evaluation forms
 completed by referring/referred to physicians);
- are not required to satisfy the response time requirements set forth in Section 2.A.1(c) of the
 Credentials Policy, except for those times when they are providing coverage; and
- agree that their Medical Staff appointment and clinical privileges will be automatically relinquished, with no right to a hearing or appeal, if their coverage arrangement with the Active Staff member(s) terminates for any reason.