

## **MEDICAL STAFF OF SOUTHEAST MISSOURI HOSPITAL BYLAWS, POLICIES AND RULES AND REGULATIONS**

### **DEFINITIONS**

- (1) ADMINISTRATOR means the individual appointed by the Board to act on its behalf in the overall administrative management of the Hospital or, in his absence, his designee.
- (2) BOARD or BOARD OF TRUSTEES means the governing body of Southeast Missouri Hospital or Southeast Missouri Hospital Association.
- (3) CLINICAL PRIVILEGES or PRIVILEGES means the permission granted to a practitioner to render specific diagnostic, therapeutic, medical, dental, or surgical services.
- (4) *EX OFFICIO* means service as a member of a body by virtue of an office or position held and, unless otherwise expressly provided, means without voting rights.
- (5) LIMITED HEALTH PRACTITIONER means an individual, other than a licensed physician, dentist, or podiatrist, whose patient care activities require that his authority to perform specified patient care services be processed through the usual Medical Staff channels.
- (6) PHYSICIAN PARAMEDICAL EMPLOYEE means a person who is employed by a physician to perform certain health related activities under the supervision and direction of the physician.
- (7) HOSPITAL means Southeast Missouri Hospital, Cape Girardeau, Missouri.
- (8) MEDICAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE or MEC means the executive committee of the Medical Staff
- (9) MEDICAL STAFF or STAFF means the group of all licensed physicians, dentists and podiatrists appointed by the Hospital who are privileged to attend patients in the Hospital.
- (10) MEDICAL STAFF YEAR means the period from January 1 to December 31.
- (11) PRACTITIONER means, unless otherwise expressly limited, any appropriately licensed physician, dentist or podiatrist applying for or exercising clinical privileges in this Hospital
- (12) PREROGATIVE means a participatory right granted, by virtue of a staff category or otherwise, to a staff appointee or limited health practitioner and exercisable subject to the conditions imposed in these Bylaws and in other Hospital and Medical Staff policies.
- (13) SPECIAL NOTICE means written notification sent by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, or written notification delivered to the addressee by the Administrator or his designee.
- (14) PROFESSIONAL REVIEW ACTIVITY. Shall mean any activity of the Hospital with respect to an individual Practitioner (1) to determine whether an Applicant or Medical Staff Appointee may have clinical privileges at the Hospital or membership on the Medical Staff; (2) to determine the scope or conditions of such privileges or appointment; or (3) to change or modify such privileges or appointment.
- (15) PEER REVIEW COMMITTEE. Shall mean as appropriate to the circumstances, the Board of Trustees, the Medical Executive Committee, the Credentials Committee, any Ad Hoc Investigation Committee, any Hearing Committee, any Appellate Hearing Committee, the Administrator of the Hospital, the President of the Medical Staff, any department, division or section chairperson and any other person, committee, health care professional or entity having authority to make an adverse recommendation with respect to or to take or propose an action against any Applicant or Medical Staff Appointee when engaged in Professional Review Activity or such other peer review activities required or permitted by Chapter 537, Revised Statutes of Missouri (1995) as amended.

These Definitions apply to the Bylaws; the Policy on Limited Health Practitioners and Physician Paramedical Employees; the Organizational Manual; and the Rules and Regulations