

Program: Hospital

Chapter: Medical Staff

MS.08.01.03: Ongoing professional practice evaluation information is factored into the decision to maintain existing privilege(s), to revise existing privilege(s), or to revoke an existing privilege prior to or at the time of renewal.

Rationale: Not applicable.

Introduction: Introduction to Standard MS.08.01.03

Ongoing Professional Practice Evaluation (Maintaining Privileges) The ongoing professional practice evaluation allows the organization to identify professional practice trends that impact on quality of care and patient safety. Such identification may require intervention by the organized medical staff. The criteria used in the ongoing professional practice evaluation may include the following: - Review of operative and other clinical procedure(s) performed and their outcomes - Pattern of blood and pharmaceutical usage - Requests for tests and procedures - Length of stay patterns - Morbidity and mortality data - Physician's or other licensed practitioner's use of consultants - Other relevant criteria as determined by the organized medical staff The information used in the ongoing professional practice evaluation may be acquired through the following: - Periodic chart review - Direct observation - Monitoring of diagnostic and treatment techniques - Discussion with other individuals involved in the care of each patient including consulting physicians, assistants at surgery, and nursing and administrative personnel Relevant information obtained from the ongoing professional practice evaluation is integrated into performance improvement activities. These activities adhere to the organization's policies or procedures intended to preserve any confidentiality or legal privilege of information established by applicable law. If there is uncertainty regarding the physician's or other licensed practitioner's professional performance, the organized medical staff should follow the course of action defined in the medical staff bylaws for further evaluation of the individual. Note 1: Privileged physicians and other licensed practitioners have access to the medical staff fair hearing and appeal process should the intervention result in corrective action. (See Standard MS.10.01.01) Note 2: Operative and other clinical procedures Include operative and other invasive and noninvasive procedures that place the patient at risk. The focus is on procedures, and is not meant to include medications that place the patient at risk.

Elements of Performance

- The process for the ongoing professional practice evaluation includes the following: There is a clearly defined process in place that facilitates the evaluation of each physician's or other licensed practitioner's professional practice.

EP Attributes

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		§482.22(a)(1)	D	ESP-1

- The process for the ongoing professional practice evaluation includes the following: The type of data to be collected is determined by individual departments and approved by the organized medical staff.

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- The process for the ongoing professional practice evaluation includes the following: Information resulting from the ongoing professional practice evaluation is used to determine whether to continue, limit, or revoke any existing privilege(s).

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