RULES AND REGULATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY MEDICINE

NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Department of Family Medicine, Saint Cloud Hospital Medical Staff.

PURPOSE

The Department of Family Medicine shall provide quality care for patients, provide educational programs for department members, the Medical Staff, and hospital personnel as necessary, and conduct peer review of activities in order to assure that appropriate treatment is provided by all its members of the Medical Staff.

MEMBERSHIP

Those physicians who are members in good standing of the Medical Staff shall be eligible to be members of the Department of Family Medicine. Membership will be limited to those physicians, who are eligible to take the Board of Family Medicine examination, or those physicians who have privileges in the Department of Family Medicine and limit their practices to Family Medicine and have education, training and demonstrated competence in the care and management of patients.

The Department of Family Medicine will recommend membership in the department to the Credentials Committee.

<u>Liaison Members</u>: There shall be at least one (1) liaison physician from the Department of Family Medicine to each clinical department of the Medical Staff where specified by the respective department. Liaison physicians shall be voting members of the departments in which they serve and shall be appointed by the Executive Committee following recommendations by the Chair of Family Medicine.

ORGANIZATION

<u>Officers:</u> There shall be a Chair and Vice Chair whose election, tenure, qualifications, removal, functions and responsibilities are as provided for in the Medical Staff Bylaws (Article 3, Officers). The Vice Chair will represent the Chair in his/her absence.

FUNCTIONS

<u>Consultation</u>: Members of the Department of Family Medicine shall provide consultation to all members of the Medical Staff of Saint Cloud Hospital upon request.

Department members are encouraged to obtain consultations and/or referrals from other clinical specialties as appropriate.

It is the duty of the Chair of the Department of Family Medicine to see that those caring for patients do not fail in the matter of ordering consultations of referrals when they are needed.

ADOPTION AND AMENDMENT

Rules and Regulations shall be submitted and voted upon by Department membership. A majority vote is required for adoption or modification.

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