

RULES AND REGULATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF NEUROSCIENCES

NAME

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

PURPOSE

The Department of Neurosciences shall provide quality care for patients with psychiatric or neurologic conditions, 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 members of the Medical Staff.

MEMBERSHIP

Practitioners who are members in good standing of the Medical Staff shall be eligible to be members of the Department of Neurosciences. Membership will be limited to those physicians who are eligible to take the Board of Neurology, Sleep Medicine, or Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation examination, or those physicians who have privileges in the Department of Neurosciences and limit their practices to Psychiatry or Neurology and have education, training and demonstrated competence in the care and management of psychiatric or neurologic patients.

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

ORGANIZATION

Officers: 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

Consultation: Members of the Department of Neurosciences 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 Neurosciences to see that those providing psychiatric or neurologic care to patients do not fail in the matter of ordering consultations or referrals when they are needed.

RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING THE ADMISSION TO AND MANAGEMENT OF PATIENTS ON THE REHABILITATION UNIT AT ST. CLOUD HOSPITAL:

1. When a patient is appropriate for admission to the Rehabilitation Unit, the patient's attending provider will;
 - Contact the appropriate psychiatry staff to discuss any continuing medical needs of the patient,
 - Complete a Hospital discharge summary for the patient,
 - Determine, with the psychiatry provider, the appropriate medical follow-up for any continuing medical problems and
 - Arrange for appropriate medical coverage of those problems.
2. The psychiatry provider responsible for the Rehabilitation Unit must approve an admission to his/her service.
3. The psychiatry provider will be considered the "attending" provider for patients admitted to the Rehabilitation Unit or otherwise specified and is responsible for all general management issues related to that hospitalization except as agreed to with the referring provider. The psychiatry provider will be considered the "attending" provider for patients admitted to the Rehabilitation Unit. The "attending" provider would consult other providers if needed for their specific expertise.
4. The psychiatry provider or other assigned provider will;
 - Provide 24 hour per day 7 days per week coverage with a response time of 60 minutes for general management issues related to the patient's care,
 - Complete a rehabilitation admission note on all patients admitted to the Unit,
 - Complete a discharge summary upon discharge from the Rehabilitation Unit.

Education: The Department of Neurosciences will be responsible to provide educational programs for the members of the department, for the Medical Staff, and the hospital personnel.

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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