DEPARTMENT OF SURGERY
DELINEATION OF PRIVILEGES FOR ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY

NAME: __________________________________________________ DATE: __________________

Please check the “Requested” box for each privilege requested. Applicants have the burden of producing information deemed adequate by the hospital for a proper evaluation of current competence, current clinical activity and other qualifications and for resolving any doubts related to qualifications for requested privileges.

Other Requirements:
1. Note that privileges granted may only be exercised at the site(s) and/or setting(s) that have sufficient space, equipment, staffing, and other resources required to support the privilege.
2. This document focuses on defining qualifications related to competency to exercise clinical privileges. The applicant must also adhere to any additional organization, regulatory, or accreditation requirements that the organization is obligated to meet.

QUALIFICATION FOR ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY

Initial privileges: To be eligible to apply for privileges in orthopedic surgery, the applicant must meet the following criteria: Successful completion of an Accreditation Council for Graduate medical Education (ACGME) or American Osteopathic Association (AOA) accredited residency in orthopedic surgery.

AND/OR

Current certification or active participation in the examination process leading to certification in orthopedic surgery by the American Board of Orthopedic Surgery or the American Osteopathic Board of Orthopedic Surgery.

AND

Completion of certification in advanced cardiac life support, advanced trauma life support, and fundamental of laparoscopic surgery.

CORE PRIVILEGES: ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY

☐ Requested

Admit, evaluate, diagnose, consult, and provide pre-, intra-, and postoperative care and perform surgical procedures to patients of all ages to correct or treat various conditions, diseases, disorders, and injuries of the extremities, spine, and associated structures by medical, surgical, and physical means, including but not limited to congenital deformities, trauma, infections, tumors, metabolic disturbances of the musculoskeletal
system, deformities, injuries, and degenerative diseases of the spine, hands, feet, knees, hips, shoulders, and elbows, including primary and secondary muscular problems and the effects of central or peripheral nervous system lesions of the musculoskeletal system. May provide care to patients in the intensive care setting in conformance with unit policies. Assess, stabilize, and determine the disposition of patients with emergent conditions consistent with medical staff policy regarding emergency and consultative call services. The core privileges in this specialty include the procedures on the attached procedures list and such other procedures that are extensions of the same techniques and skills.

**QUALIFICATIONS FOR ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY OF THE SPINE**

**Initial privileges:** To be eligible to apply for privileges in surgery of the spine, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

Successful completion of an ACGME- or AOA-accredited residency in orthopedic surgery, followed by successful completion of an accredited fellowship in orthopedic surgery of the spine, completion of resident training and experience deemed by the American College of Spine Surgery to be equivalent to a 12-month approved spine fellowship program, or current certification by the American Board of Spine Surgery.

AND

At least 20 procedures involving surgery of the spine, reflective of the scope of privileges requested, within the last 12 months or the demonstrated successful completion of an ACGME- or AOA-accredited residency or clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

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**Core privileges: Orthopedic surgery of the spine**

- **Requested:** Admit, evaluate, diagnose, treat, and provide consultation to patients of all ages with spinal column diseases, disorders, and injuries by medical, physical, and surgical methods. May provide care to patients in the intensive care setting in conformance with unit policies. Assess, stabilize, and determine the disposition of patients with emergent conditions consistent with medical staff policy regarding emergency and consultative call services. The core privileges in this specialty include the procedures on the attached procedures list and such other procedures that are extensions of the same techniques and skills.

**CORE PROCEDURES LIST**

This is not intended to be an all-encompassing procedures list. It defines the types of activities/procedures/privileges that the majority of practitioners in this specialty perform at this organization and inherent activities/procedures/privileges requiring similar skill sets and techniques.

**To the applicant:** If you wish to exclude any procedures, please strike through the procedures that you do not wish to request, and then initial and date.

- Performance of history and physical exam
- **Hips and Knees**
  - Amputation surgery, including immediate prosthetic fitting in the operating room
  - Arthrocentesis, diagnostic
- Arthrodesis, osteotomy, and ligament reconstruction of the major peripheral joints, excluding total replacement of joints
- Arthrography
- Arthroscopy
- Bone grafts and allografts
- Closed reduction of fractures and dislocations
- Debridement of soft tissue
- Excision of soft tissue/bony masses
- Fasciectomy and fasciectomy
- Fracture fixation
- Joint replacement, including minimally invasive techniques (excludes hip resurfacing)
- Ligament reconstruction
- Management of infectious and inflammations of bones, joints, and tendon sheaths
- Muscle and tendon repair
- Open reduction and internal/external fixation of fractures and dislocations of the skeleton
- Reconstruction of nonspinal congenital musculoskeletal anomalies
- Treatment of trauma
- Treatment of cartilage injuries (e.g., autologous chondrocyte implantation [ACI] and osteoarticular transfer system [OATS])

**Shoulders and elbows**
- Amputation surgery, including immediate prosthetic fitting in the operating room
- Arthrocentesis, diagnostic bone graphs, and allografts
- Arthroscopy
- Joint replacement ([includes/excludes] minimally invasive techniques)
- Closed reduction of fractures and dislocations
- Muscle and tendon repair
- Open reduction and internal/external fixation of fractures and dislocations
- Debridement of soft tissue
- Excision of soft tissue/bony masses
- Fasciotomy and fasciectomy, and dislocations

**Foot and ankle**
- Amputation surgery, including immediate prosthetic fitting in the operating room
- Arthroscopy
- Treatment of trauma
- Joint replacement ([includes/excludes] minimally invasive techniques)
- Closed reduction of fractures and dislocations
- Muscle and tendon repair
- Open reduction and internal/external fixation of fractures and dislocations
- Debridement of soft tissue
- Excision of soft tissue/bony masses
- Fasciotomy and fasciectomy
- Treatment of cartilage injuries (e.g., ACI and OATS)

**Hand**
- Arthroplasty of large and small joints, wrist, or hand, including implants
- Amputation surgery including immediate prosthetic fitting in the operating room
- Anthrocentesis
- Diagnostic bone graphing and allographs
- Nerve decompression
- Fasciotomy and fasciectomy
- Fracture fixation with compression plates or wires
- Nerve graft
- Neurorrhaphy
- Closed reductions of fractures and dislocations
- Removal of soft tissue mass, ganglion on the palm or wrist, flexor sheath, etc.
- Repair of lacerations
- Repair of rheumatoid arthritis deformity
- Skin grafts
- Tendon reconstruction (free grafts, staged)
- Tendon release, repair, and fixation
- Tendon transfers
- Treatment of infections
- Open reduction and internal/external fixation of fractures and dislocations
- Treatment of trauma

- **Spine**
  - Assessment of the neurologic function of the spinal cord and nerve roots
  - Interpretation of imaging studies of the spine
  - Management of traumatic, congenital, developmental, infectious, metabolic, degenerative, and rheumatologic disorders of the spine
  - Treatment of extensive trauma
  - Open reduction and internal/external fixation of fractures and dislocations of the skeleton
  - Closed reduction of fractures and dislocations

- **Musculoskeletal oncology**
  - Detection of tumors through various imaging techniques, including x-ray, MRI< and bone scan procedures
  - Tumor resection with local treatment
  - Tumor resection with major limb reconstruction or amputation
  - Biopsy and excision of tumors involving bone and adjacent soft tissues

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRACTITIONER**

I have requested only those privileges for which by education, training, current experience, and demonstrated performance I am qualified to perform.

I also request the ability to do any procedure in an emergency situation. I understand that:

a. In exercising any clinical privileges granted, I am constrained by hospital and medical staff policies and rules applicable generally and any applicable to the particular situation.

b. Any restriction on the clinical privileges granted to me is waived in an emergency situation, and in such situation my actions are governed by the applicable section of the medical staff bylaws or related documents.

Signed: ________________________________  Date: ____________________________
**DEPARTMENT CHAIR’S RECOMMENDATION**

I have reviewed the requested clinical privileges and supporting documentation for the above-named applicant and:

- [ ] Recommend all requested privileges
- [ ] Recommend privileges with the following conditions/modifications:
- [ ] Do not recommend the following requested privileges:

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Department Chair’s Signature: __________________________ Date: __________