



MEDICAL CREDENTIALING AND POLICIES COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, October 27, 2016
3:30pm-4:30pm

Conference Center Located at Highland Care Pavilion
1411 East 31st Street Oakland, CA 94602
Susana Flores, Clerk of the Board
(510) 535-7515

LOCATION:

Open Session: HCP Conference Center

MINUTES

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 3:35PM

ROLL CALL WAS TAKEN AND THE FOLLOWING TRUSTEES WERE PRESENT:

Barry Zorthian, Joe DeVries, Tracy Jensen, and Michele Lawrence.

Quorum was established.

Non-Voting Members present: Drs. Deepak Dhawan and John Iocco.

(General Counsel Announcement as to purpose of Closed Session)

TAB #1 CLOSED SESSION

(Reconvene to Open Session)

TAB #2 ACTION: Consent Agenda

A. Approval of the Minutes of the September 29, 2016 Medical Credentialing and Policies Committee Meeting.

B. Approval of Policies and Procedures

October 2016

Alameda Health System Policies

Administrative

- Business Associates
- De-Identified Health Information
- HIPAA Violations Sanctions Policy
- Privacy: Confidential Communications
- Privacy: Minimum Necessary Standard

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- Privacy: Personal Representatives of Patients
 - Privacy: Uses and Disclosures of Protected Health Information for Fundraising
 - Privacy: Uses and Disclosures of Protected Health Information for Marketing

Clinical

- Patient Nourishment and Oral Nutrition
- Protocol to Communicate Continuation of Nutritional Care in Electronic Health Record

Plan

- Infection Control – 2016 Plan with Surveillance; 2015 Year End Evaluation; 2016 Risk Assessment

Alameda Hospital Policies

- No Policies

San Leandro Hospital PoliciesClinical

- Pharmacy Renal Dose Adjustment Protocol

Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve the Minutes of the September 29 2016 Medical Credentialing and Policies Committee Meeting. The motion passed.

AYES: Trustees DeVries, Jensen, Lawrence, and Zorthian.

NAYS: None

Abstention: None

Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve the Policies and Procedures as presented. The motion passed.

AYES: Trustees DeVries, Jensen, Lawrence, and Zorthian.

NAYS: None

Abstention: None

TAB #3 ACTION: Contract Approval

New contract with **Virtual Radiologic Professionals of California, P.A.**, (vRad) to provide credentialing and privileging services on behalf of AHS. vRad will credential the physicians furnishing teleradiology services at AHS, starting on November 1st and will remain in effect until terminated by either party. There is no dollar amount associated with this contract.

Ghassan Jamaledine, MD, Chief Medical Officer

Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve the contract with Virtual Radiologic Professionals of California as presented. The motion passed.

AYES: Trustees DeVries, Jensen, Lawrence, and Zorthian.

NAYS: None

Abstention: None

TAB #4 DISCUSSION: Issue Tracking

The Committee discussed the inclusion of physicians in the contract review process. The CMO confirmed that staff is making an effort to seek clinical input and review of contracts that are relevant to patient care. A process is being built into the current contract tracking system to ensure that clinical input is part of these contracts.

John Chapman, Chief Administrative Officer of Highland Hospital, reported that the

Transfer Center will be increasing coverage to 7 days a week, 12 hours a day. The increase in staff will allow for significant process improvements when transferring patients between Alameda, San Leandro, and Highland Hospital. In addition, a monthly Transfer Council has been established to review transfer feedback to identify future improvements. The CMO confirmed that the organization is tracking referrals being sent outside the organization to reduce cases where a patient could have been transferred within the system. The Committee requested a follow-up report of how many transfers are currently being sent out of the system.

The CNE reported that the organization allows unlimited visitation to the family birthing center and the ICU. Currently, visitors are limited to two (2) visitors per patient after 8:00pm in order to reduce noise levels for all patients and to maintain staff safety. The CAO noted that industry standard for visitor limitations after 8:00pm varies by organization. AHS will need to conduct safety assessments should the organization decide to allow more than 2 visitors after 8:00pm.

TAB #5 REPORT: Legal Counsel’s Report on Action Taken in Closed Session

General Counsel reported that the Committee met in closed session and approved the credentialing reports of each of the Medical Staffs.

Public Comments - None

Trustee Remarks - None

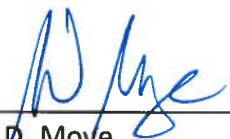
ADJOURNMENT – 4:30pm

Respectfully submitted by:



Susana Flores
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Reviewed by: 
M.D. Moye
General Counsel