APPROVE PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE MEDICAL STAFF RULES AND REGULATIONS, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS MEDICAL CENTER, CHICAGO

Action: Approve Proposed Revisions to the Medical Staff Rules and Regulations, University of Illinois Medical Center at Chicago

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Interim Chancellor, or his/her designee, recommends revisions to the Medical Staff Rules and Regulations. Mr. John J. DeNardo, the CEO, HealthCare System, is the official “designee” pertaining to medical staff issues referenced in the Medical Staff Bylaws and Rules and Regulations and serves in the capacity of “Chancellor or his/her designee” for all health care activities, most notably in the credentialing process.

The Chief Medical Officer reports to the CEO, HealthCare System, and is responsible for all medical aspects of patient care in the University of Illinois Hospital. The Chief Medical Officer is nominated by the CEO, HealthCare System, with approval by the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff. The Board of Trustees is responsible for his/her appointment.

The medical staff recognizes the need to operate within this administrative framework in attempting to fulfill its objectives under the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations.
The proposed revisions include language to clarify a number of issues as follows:

1. Revision of Charges to the committee and inclusion of new committees for managing the affairs of the Hospital.

2. Revision of the process for obtaining temporary privileges consistent with new Joint Commission language.

3. A change in the procedure for obtaining letters of reference from peers for new applicants for membership to the medical staff as required by Joint Commission.

4. The requirement for, and clarification of, what is acceptable picture identification for new applicants to the medical staff.

5. A revision to procedures to demonstrate that the Board of Trustees has final authority for granting, reviewing, or denying privileges related to the initial appointment and to the reappointment process, and language defining the two-year reappointment period.

6. The requirement for a focused professional practice evaluation after the initial 12-month provisional appointment period to conform to the changes in the Bylaws.

7. To demonstrate oversight in analyzing patient satisfaction and complaints and reporting of related data to the Medical Staff Executive Committee at least twice a year.

8. Enhancements to the assessment of quality of patient care and reporting of data and information to the Medical Staff Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees.

The Bylaws and Rules and Regulations are reviewed every year. Proposed amendments are reviewed by University Counsel and are submitted for discussion at a meeting of the medical staff. If not submitted by a Committee on Medical Staff Bylaws, they are referred to such a Committee for review and subsequent report at any medical
staff meeting. To be adopted, an amendment requires an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the medical staff present at the Medical Staff Executive Committee Meeting. Amendments so made shall become effective when recommended by the Chancellor or his/her designee, and approved by the Board of Trustees.

The amended Medical Staff Rules and Regulations were approved at the scheduled Medical Staff Executive Committee Meeting on December 7, 2007. The proposed revisions received an affirmative vote of more than two-thirds of the medical staff present and eligible to vote. A copy of the revised Rules and Regulations has been filed with the Secretary of the Board for record.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The President of the University concurs.