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**OBJECTIVE**

To assure that all applicants to the DMC Medical Staff shall be Board Certified, or shall achieve Board Certification within five (5) years of completion of formal training.

**SCOPE**

All DMC medical staff.

**DEFINITIONS**

Beginning on July 1st, 2009, all applicants to the DMC Medical Staff shall be Board Certified, or shall achieve Board Certification within five (5) years of completion of formal training. Relative to eligibility for board certification, completion of formal training (residency versus fellowship) is defined by the primary certification body for that specialty.

**POLICY**

Individual clinical department Board certification may be more stringent, if so, the department's requirements supersede the DMC minimum Board certification requirement.

The Board certification must be in the specialty and specific practice which clinical privileges are requested.

Board certification must be in a specialty recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties, American Osteopathic Association, American Dental Association or the American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery.

**PROVISIONS**

If Board certification is time-limited, the applicant will have a maximum of three (3) years to achieve re-certification, beginning with the expiration date of his/her current Board Certification, or will be voluntarily resigned from the Medical Staff. DMC medical staff members on staff prior to July 1, 2009 with time-limited certifications will not be required to recertify

DMC medical staff members who obtain certification in specialty and subspecialty categories will be required to recertify in the area(s) of certification required by the certification body.

An extension of the Board certification or re-certification requirement may be granted by the Medical Executive Committee to the applicant who has obtained an extension from the requisite Board for reasons of significant health issues or military service.

DMC medical staff members on staff prior **to July 1, 2009**, who are not Board certified will not be required to achieve Board certification. Eligibility for the Board certification waiver requires uninterrupted DMC Medical Staff membership since July 1, 2009.

Under special circumstances, some outstanding applicants brought to the DMC may be ineligible for Board certification. These members will be considered by their departments on an individual case-by-case basis, and review by a subcommittee of the SICs, may be granted privileges without Board certification with a majority vote of the Medical Executive Committee and the Joint Conference Committee.

**ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITY**

The Market Chief Operating Officer has overall administrative responsibility for this policy. The Market Chief Medical Officer has day to day administrative responsibility for this policy.

**APPROVAL**

This policy has been approved and is duly authorized by Detroit Medical Center, Children's Hospital of Michigan, Detroit Receiving Hospital, Harper/Hutzel Hospital, Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan, and Sinai-Grace Hospital. The posting of the policy on the DMC intranet signifies that it is in full force and effect.

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CHANGES (List out in bullet format revised changes to this policy)

- Added language for staff prior to July 1, 2009 with time-limited certifications will not be required to recertify.
- Added language for those who obtain certification in specialties and sub-specialties will be required to recertify in these areas
- Removed language requiring recertification for all time-limited boards -- only required if certification was achieved after July 1, 2009.

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