

Loma Linda University Medical Center
Anesthesiology Service Rules & Regulations

I. RESPONSIBILITIES

The Loma Linda University Anesthesiology Medical Group, Inc. has an exclusive contract with Loma Linda University Medical Center, Inc. to provide anesthesiology services at Loma Linda University Medical Center and shall be responsible for:

- A. The evaluation of the qualifications of those individuals applying/re-applying for membership on the Medical Staff in the Anesthesiology Service.
- B. The evaluation of the qualifications of those Allied Health Professionals requesting practice privileges on the Anesthesiology Service.
- C. The monitoring of the ethical and professional practices of Anesthesiology staff members on the Anesthesiology Service and the monitoring of the quality of care provided on the Anesthesiology Service and/or by members of the Anesthesiology Service.
- D. The supervision of the clinical activities of students and residents assigned to the Anesthesiology Service.
- E. The provision of Continuing Education activities to its members and guests.
- F. Sedation administration and quality monitoring in the Medical Center.

II. MEMBERSHIP:

Requirements for membership in the Anesthesiology Service of the Medical Staff shall be determined as outlined in the Medical Staff Bylaws, and Rules and Regulations. Notwithstanding the requirements as outlined in the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations, membership shall be available only to those who are qualified by training and/or experience to fulfill all the requirements of these Service Rules and Regulations.

III. OFFICERS

The Chair of the Department of Anesthesiology of Loma Linda University School of Medicine shall serve as the Chief of the Anesthesiology Service of Loma Linda University Medical Center. In the Absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair shall serve as Chief. The Chair may also appoint an Associate Chief of Service and delegate responsibilities to this individual.

The Chief of Service shall, in addition to the requirements in the Medical Staff Bylaws:

- A. Serve as Chair of the Anesthesiology Service Committee
- B. Organize and chair regular meetings of the members of the Anesthesiology Service
- C. Appoint service committees as needed or required

- D. Maintain records of the Anesthesiology Service

IV. COMMITTEES:

- A. The Anesthesiology Service Committee will be Chaired by Chief of Service.

- 1. Membership:

- Members of the Anesthesiology Service Committee shall be appointed by the Chief of Service and shall serve for indefinite periods of time at the pleasure of the Chief of Service. The number of members may vary from time to time. The Committee shall consist of representatives of the various specialties having anesthesiology privileges in the Anesthesiology Service.

- 2. Function:

- a. Review applications for appointment and reappointment to the Anesthesiology Service.
 - b. Recommend (to the Chief of the Service) the granting of specific anesthesia privileges.
 - c. Recommend (to the entire service) Service Policies, and Rules Regulations.
 - d. Assist the Chief of Service in his/her administrative as he/she directs.

- B. Quality Improvement Committee

- 1. Chair:

- The Service Quality Improvement Committee shall be chaired by an Active Staff member of the Service appointed by the Chief of the Service. The Committee Chair shall be responsible for the ongoing quality improvement activities of the Service.

- 2. Membership:

- The Committee shall have as members individuals representing those specialties and subspecialties currently having active members in the Anesthesiology Service. The members shall be appointed by the Chief of Service on the recommendation of the Chair of the Committee.

- 3. Function:

- a. In conjunction with the Medical Staff Patient Safety and Reliability Committee, this Committee will review selected aspects of care on the Anesthesiology Service with the goal of achieving continuing quality improvement.
 - b. The Committee will present recommendations to the Chief of Service for changes in policies, procedures and regulations that are intended to improve the quality of care on the Anesthesiology Service.

- c. The Anesthesiology Quality Improvement Committee will present to the entire Anesthesiology Service the results of its monitoring activities.
- d. The Committee will arrange for the presentation to the Service educational programs in response to its (the Committee) quality improvement activities.

V. ANESTHESIOLOGY SERVICE PRIVILEGES:

- A. Procedure:
New applicants for appointment to the staff in the Anesthesiology Service shall submit a description of their graduate training, other medical experience, and other required credentials, along with their application form.
- B. Policy:
In all cases, delineation of clinical privileges recommended in the Anesthesiology Service shall be based on the individual applicant's documented training and/or experience, demonstrated abilities, current competence, judgment, and character.
- C. Advancement of clinical privileges:
Advancement of clinical privileges may be recommended when the applicant can show that additional training and/or experience so warrant.
- D. Proctoring by the Service:
The requirement is that 10 cases will be reviewed by a peer for demonstration of their ability to provide the evaluation and management services required by their patients. Proctoring will also include the practitioner's ability to satisfactorily discharge the basic and other responsibilities of Medical Staff membership, as contained in the Medical Staff Bylaws.
- E. Restriction of clinical privileges:
Restriction of clinical privileges may result if it can be shown that competence has been lost or never attained.
- F. Mechanism:
Clinical privileges will be granted to members of the Anesthesiology Service in accordance with the Medical Staff Bylaws.
- G. Reappointment:
All members of the Service will be reviewed on a regular basis for purposes of reappointment, advancement of clinical privileges, or other changes in status of service membership or privileges. The Anesthesiology Service will make its recommendations regarding reappointment to the Medical Staff Credentials Committee.
- H. Documentation:
Members of the Anesthesiology Service are encouraged to document their continuing training and experiences on an ongoing basis.