

Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3335-111-04 Membership.

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(A) Qualifications.

(1) Membership on the medical staff of the CHRI is a privilege extended to doctors of medicine, osteopathic medicine, dentistry, and to practitioners of psychology and podiatry who consistently meet the qualifications, standards, and requirements set forth in the bylaws, rules and regulations of the medical staff, and the board of trustees of the Ohio state university. Membership on the medical staff is available on an equal opportunity basis without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, gender, age, handicap, genetic information or veteran/military status. Doctors of medicine, osteopathic medicine, dentistry, and practitioners of psychology and podiatry in faculty and administrative positions who desire medical staff membership shall be subject to the same policies and procedures as all other applicants for the medical staff.

(2) All members of the medical staff of the CHRI, except physician scholar medical staff, shall be members of the faculty of the Ohio state university college of medicine, or in the case of dentists, of the Ohio state university college of dentistry, and shall be duly licensed or certified to practice in the state of Ohio. Members of the limited staff shall possess a valid training certificate, or an unrestricted license from the applicable state board based on the eligibility criteria defined by that board. All members of the medical staff and limited staff and licensed health care professionals with clinical priviledges shall comply with provisions of state law and the regulations of the respective state medical board or other state licensing board if applicable. Only those physicians, dentists, and practitioners of psychology and podiatry who can document their education, training, experience, competence, adherence to the ethics of their profession, dedication to educational and research goals and ability to work with others with sufficient adequacy to assure the Wexner medical center board and the board of trustees of the Ohio state university that any patient treated by them at the CHRI will be given high quality medical care provided at CHRI, shall be qualified for eligibility for membership on the medical staff of the CHRI. CHRI medical staff members shall also hold appointments to the medical staff of the Ohio state university hospitals for consulting purposes. Loss of such appointment shall result in immediate termination of membership on the CHRI medical staff



and immediate termination of clinical privileges as of the effective date of the Ohio state university hospitals appointment termination. This consequence does not apply to an individuals suspension for completion of medical records. If the medical staff member regains an appointment to the Ohio state university hospitals medical staff, the affected medical staff member shall be eligible to apply for CHRI medical staff membership at that time. All applicants for membership, clinical privileges, and members of the medical staff must provide basic health information to fully demonstrate that the applicant or member has, and maintains, the ability to perform requested clinical privileges. The director of medical affairs of the CHRI, the medical staff administrative committee, the quality and professional affairs committee of the Ohio state university Wexner medical center board, or the Ohio state university Wexner medical center board may initiate and request a physical or mental health evaluation of an applicant or member. Such request shall be in writing to the applicant.

(3) All members of the medical staff and licensed health care professionals will comply with medical staff and the CHRI policies regarding employee and medical staff health and safety, provision of uncompensated care, and will comply with appropriate administrative directives and policies which, if not followed, could adversely impact overall patient care or may adversely impact the ability of the CHRI employees or staff to effectively and efficiently fulfill their responsibilities. All members of the medical staff and licensed health care professionals shall agree to comply with bylaws, rules and regulations, and policies and procedures adopted by the medical staff administrative committee and the Wexner medical center board, including but not limited to policies on professionalism, behaviors that undermine a culture of safety. Annual education and training approved by the medical staff administrative committee or as required by the CHRI to meet accreditation standards, fedural regulations, or quality and safety goals is required for medical staff members with clinical privileges in addition to conflict of interest disclosure. Medical staff members and licensed health care professionals must also comply with the university integrity program requirements including but not limited to billing, self referral, ethical conduct and annual education. Medical staff members and licensed health care professionals with clinical privileges must immediately disclose to the chief medical officer and the department chairperson the occurrence of any of the following events: a licensure action in any state, any malpractice claims filed in any state or an arrest by law enforcement.

(4) All members of the medical staff and credentialed providers must maintain continuous



uninterrupted enrollment with all governmental healthcare programs. This includes any federal and state government programs.

(a) It shall be the duty of all medical staff members and credentialed providers to promptly inform the chief medical officer and the corporate credentialing office of any investigation, action taken, or the initiation of any process which could lead to an action taken by any governmental program.

(b) Exclusion of any medical staff member or credentialed provider from participation in any federal or state government program or suspension from participation, in whole or in part, in any federal or state government reimbursement program, shall result in immediate lapse of membership on the medical staff of the CHRI and the immediate lapse of clinical privileges at the CHRI as of the effective date of the exclusion or suspension. Medical staff members may submit a request to resign their medical staff membership to the chief medical officer in lieu of automatic termination. The resignation in lieu of automatic termination shall be discussed at the next credentialing committee and medical staff administrative committee in order to provide recommendations to the quality and professional affairs committee of the Wexner medical center board. A final determination should be decided by the quality and professional affairs committee at its next regular meeting.

(c) If the medical staff members or credentialed provider's participation in all governmental programs is fully reinstated, the affected medical staff member or credentialed provider shall be eligible to apply for membership and clinical privileges at that time.

(5) Board certification.

An applicant for membership shall at the time of appointment or reappointment, be board certified in his or her specialty. This board certification must be approved by the American board of medical specialties, or other applicable certifying boards for doctors of osteopathy, podiatry, psychology, and dentistry. All applicants must be certified within the specific areas for which they have requested clinical privileges. Applicants who are not board certified at the time of application but who have completed their residency or fellowship training within the last five years will be eligible for medical staff appointment. However, in order to remain eligible, those applicants must achieve board certification in their primary area of practice within five years from the date of completion of their residency or fellowship training. Applicants must maintain board certification and, to the extent



required by the applicable specialty/subspecialty board, satisfy recertification requirement. Recertification will be assessed at reappointment. Failure to meet or maintain board certification shall result in termination of membership on the medical staff of the CHRI.

(6) All applicants must demonstrate recent clinical activity in their primary area of practice during the last two years to satisfy minimum threshold criteria for privileges within their clinical departments.

(7) Waiver requests for the threshold eligibility requirements listed in paragraphs (A)(4) to (A)(6) of this rule may be requested and considered as follows:

(a) A request for a waiver will only be considered if the applicant provides information sufficient to satisfy his or her burden to demonstrate that his or her qualifications are equivalent to or exceed the criterion in question and that there are exceptional circumstances that warrant a waiver. The clinical department chief must endorse the request for waiver in writing to the credentialing committee.

(b) The credentialing committee may consider supporting documentation submitted by the prospective applicant, any relevant information from third parties, input from the relevant clinical department chiefs, and the best interests of the hospital and the communities it serves. The credentialing committee will forward its recommendation, including the basis for such, to the medical staff administrative committee.

(c) The medical staff administrative committee will review the recommendation of the credentialing committee and make a recommendation to the Wexner medical center board regarding whether to grant or deny the request for a waiver and the basis for its recommendation.

(d) The Wexner medical center board determination regarding whether to grant a waiver is final. A determination not to grant a waiver is not a denial of appointment or clinical privileges and does not give rise to a right to a hearing. The prospective applicant who requested the waiver is not entitled to a hearing. A determination to grant a waiver in a particular case is not intended to set a precedent for any other applicant. A determination to grant a waiver does not mean that an appointment will be granted.



(e) Waivers of threshold eligibility criteria will not be granted routinely. No applicant is entitled to a waiver or to a hearing if a waiver is not granted.

(f) Waivers to requirements prescribed by regulatory, accrediting, or other external agencies will not be granted.

(8) Resignation, termination or non-reappointment to the faculty of the Ohio state university shall result in immediate termination of membership on the medical staff of the CHRI for attending, associate attending and clinical attending staff members.

(9) Any staff member whose membership has been terminated pursuant to paragraph (A)(4) or (A)(5) of this rule shall not be entitled to request a hearing and appeal in accordance with rule 3335-111-06 of the Administrative Code. Any allied health professional whose clinical privileges have been terminated pursuant to paragraph (A)(4) of this rule may not request an appeal in accordance with paragraph (J)(8)(i) of rule 3335-111-07 of the Administrative Code.

(10) No applicant shall be entitled to medical staff membership and or clinical privileges merely by the virtue of fulfilling the above qualifications or holding a previous appointment to the medical staff.

(B) Application for membership.

Initial application for all categories of medical staff membership shall be made by the applicant to the clinical department chief or designee on forms prescribed by the medical staff administrative committee, stating the qualifications and references of the applicant and giving an account of the applicants current licensure, relevant professional training and experience, current competence and ability to perform the clinical privileges requested. All applications for appointment must specify the clinical privileges requested. Applications may be made only if the qualifications are fulfilled as outlined in paragraph (A) of this rule. See paragraph (E)(1) of rule 3335-111-07 of the Administrative Code for exceptions to signature requirements. The application shall include written statements by the applicant that commit the applicant to abide by the bylaws, rules and regulations and policies and procedures of the medical staff, the Wexner medical center board, and the board of trustees of the Ohio state university. The applicant shall produce a government issued photo



identification to verify his/her identity pursuant to hospital/medical staff policy. The applicant for medical staff membership shall agree that membership requires participation in and cooperation with the peer review processes of evaluating credentials, medical staff membership and clinical privileges, and that a condition for membership requires mutual covenants between all members of the medical staff to release one another from civil liability in these review processes as long as the peer review is not conducted in bad faith, with malice, or without reasonable effort to ascertain the accuracy of information being disclosed or relied upon. A separate record shall be maintained for each applicant requesting appointment to the medical staff.

(C) Terms of appointment.

Initial appointment to the medical staff, except for the honorary category, shall be for a period not to exceed thirty-six months. An appointment or grant of privileges for a period of less than twenty-four months shall not be deemed an adverse action. During the first six months of the initial appointment, except medical staff appointments without clinical privileges, appointees shall be subject to focused professional practice evaluation (FPPE) in order to evaluate the privilege-specific competence of the practitioner who does not have documented evidence of competently performing the requested privilege at the organization pursuant to university bylaws. FPPE requires the evaluation by the clinical department chief with oversight by the credentials committee and the medical staff administrative committee.

The provisional appointee identifies the primary hospital. Following the six month FPPE period, the clinical department chief may: (1) recommend the initial appointee to transition to ongoing professional practice evaluation (OPPE), which is described later in university bylaws to the medical staff administrative committee; (2) extend the FPPE period, which is not considered an adverse action, for an additional six months not to exceed a total of twelve months for purposes of further monitoring and evaluation; or (3) terminate the initial appointees medical staff membership and clinical privileges. In the event that the medical staff administrative committee recommends that an adverse action be taken against an initial appointee, the initial appointee shall be entitled to the provisions of due process as outlined in university bylaws.

(D) Professional ethics.



The code of ethics as adopted, or as may be amended, by the American medical association, the American dental association, the American osteopathic association, the American psychological association, the American college of surgeons, or the American podiatric medical association shall usually govern the professional ethical conduct of the respective members of the medical staff.

(E) Procedure for appointment.

(1) The completed and signed application for membership of all categories of the medical staff as defined in rule 3335-111-07 of the Administrative Code, shall be presented to the clinical department chief or designee. The applicant shall include in the application a signed statement indicating the following:

(a) If the applicant should be appointed to a category of the CHRI medical staff, the applicant agrees to be governed by the bylaws, rules and regulations of the medical staff, the Wexner medical center board, and the board of the trustees of the Ohio state university.

(b) The applicant consents to be interviewed in regard to the application.

(c) The applicant authorizes the CHRI to consult with members of the medical staffs of other hospitals with which the applicant has been or has attempted to be associated, and with others who may have information bearing on the applicants competence, character and ethical qualifications.

(d) The applicant consents to the CHRIs inspection of all records and documents that may be material to the evaluation of the applicants professional qualifications and competence to carry out the clinical and educational privileges which the applicant is seeking as well as the applicants professional and ethical qualifications for medical staff membership.

(e) The applicant releases from any liability:

(i) All representatives of the CHRI for acts performed in connections with evaluating the applicants credentials or releasing information to other institutions for the purpose of evaluating the applicants credentials in compliance with university bylaws performed in good faith and without malice; and



(ii) All third parties who provide information, including otherwise privileged and confidential information, to members of the medical staff, the CHRI staff, the Wexner medical center board members, and members of the Ohio state university board of trustees concerning the applicants credentials performed in good faith and without malice.

(f) The applicant has an affirmative duty to disclose any prior termination, voluntary or involuntary, current loss, restriction, denial, or the voluntary or involuntary relinquishment of any of the following: professional licensure, board certification, DEA registration, membership in any professional organization or medical staff membership or privileges at any other hospital or health care facility.

(g) The applicant further agrees to disclose to the director of medical affairs or the medical director of credentialing the initiation of any process which could lead to such loss or restriction of the applicants professional licensure, board certification, DEA registration, membership in any professional organization or medical staff membership or privileges at any other hospital or health care facility.

(h) The applicant agrees that acceptance of an appointment to any category of the CHRI medical staff authorizes the CHRI to conduct any appropriate health assessment including, but not limited to, drug or alcohol screens on a practitioner before granting of privileges and at any time during the normal pursuit of medical staff duties, based upon reasonable cause as determined by the chief of the practitioners clinical department or the director of medical affairs of the CHRI or their authorized designees.

(2) The purpose of the health assessment shall be to ensure that the applicant or appointee to the CHRI medical staff is able to fully perform and discharge the clinical, educational, administrative and research responsibilities which the applicant or appointee would or is permitted to exercise by reason of medical staff appointment. If, at the time of the initial request for a health assessment, and at any time an appointee refuses to participate as needed in a health assessment, including, but not limited to, a drug or alcohol screening, this shall result in automatic lapse of membership, privileges, and prerogatives until remedied by compliance with the requested health assessment. Upon request of the medical staff administrative committee or the Wexner medical center board, the applicant or appointee will provide documentation of their physical/mental status with sufficient adequacy to demonstrate that any patient treated by the applicant or appointee will receive efficient and quality



care at a professionally recognized level of quality and efficiency. The conditions of this paragraph shall be deemed continuing and may be applicable to issues of continued good standing as an appointee to the medical staff.

(3) An application for membership on the medical staff shall be considered complete when all the information requested on the application form is provided, the applicant signs the application and the information is verified. A completed application must contain:

(a) Peer recommendations from at least three individuals with first hand knowledge about the applicants clinical and professional skills within the last year;

(b) Evidence of required immunizations;

(c) Evidence of current professional medical malpractice liability coverage required for the exercise of clinical privileges;

(d) Satisfaction of ECFMG requirements, if applicable;. If an individual receives a conceded eminence certificate or a clinical research faculty certificate from the state medical board of Ohio, the requirement for ECFMG certification may be waived at the discretion of the Wexner medical center board.

(e) Verification by primary source documentation of:

(i) Current and previous state licensure, and

(ii) Faculty appointment, when applicable.

(iii) DEA registrations, when required for the exercise of requested clinical privileges;

(iv) Graduation from an accredited professional school, when applicable;

(v) Successful completion or record of post professional graduate medical education;



(vi) Board certification or, active candidacy for board certification or applicant qualifies for a waiver pursuant to paragraph (A)(5) of this rule.

(f) Information from the national practitioner data bank and other JCAHO approved sources;

(g) Verification that the applicant has not been excluded from any federally funded health care program; and

(h) Complete disclosure by the applicant of all past and current claims, suits, verdicts, and settlements, if any.

(i) Completion of a criminal background investigation that meets the requirements of the Wexner medical center.

(j) Completion of the Ohio state university medical center drug testing.

(k) Verification of completion of specific competencies required for clinical privileges, as approved by the medical staff administrative committee and maintained in the provider's credentials files. All other required annual online learning must be completed within sixty days of employment.

(1) Demonstration of recent active clinical practice during the last two years required for exercise of clinical privileges.

(m) Attestation of current Ohio automated Rx reporting system ("OARRS") account for all applicants who have a DEA registration.

(4) The clinical department chief shall be responsible for investigating and verifying the character, qualifications and professional standing of the applicants by making inquiry of the primary source of such information and shall within thirty days of receipt of the completed application, submit a report of those findings along with a recommendation on medical staff membership and clinical privileges to the applicants respective CHRI department chairperson and/or division director. Licensed allied health professional applicants will have their clinical department chiefs report submitted to the subcommittee of the credentials committee charged with review of applications for associates to the



medical staff.

(5) The department chairperson and/or division director shall receive all initial signed and verified applications from the appropriate clinical department chief and shall make a recommendation to the medical director of credentialing on each application. The medical director of credentialing shall make an initial determination as to whether the application is complete. The credentials committee, the medical staff administrative committee, the quality and professional affairs committee, and the Wexner medical center board have the right to render an application incomplete, and therefore not able to be processed, if the need arises for additional or clarifying information. The medical director of credentialing shall forward all completed applications to the credentials committee.

(6) The applicants shall have the burden of producing information for an adequate evaluation of his/her qualifications for membership and for the clinical privileges requested. If the applicant fails to complete the prescribed forms or fails to provide the information requested within sixty days of receipt of the signed application, processing of the application shall cease and the application shall be deemed to have been voluntarily withdrawn, action which is not subject to hearing or appeal pursuant to rule 3335-111-06 of the Administrative Code.

(7) If the clinical department chief does not submit a report and recommendation on a timely basis, the completed application shall be forwarded to the medical director of credentialing for presentation to the credentials committee on the same basis as other applicants.

(8) Completed applications shall be acted upon as follows:

(a) By the credentials committee within thirty days after receipt of a completed application from the medical director of credentialing;

(b) By the medical staff administrative committee within thirty days after receipt of a completed application and the report of the recommendation of the credentials committee;

(c) By the quality and professional affairs committee of the Wexner medical center board;

(d) By the Wexner medical center board within one hundred twenty days after receipt of a completed



application and the report and recommendation of the medical staff administrative committee; and

(e) By the Wexner medical center board, or a subcommittee of the Wexner medical center board if eligible for expedited credentialing, within one hundred twenty days after receipt of a completed application and the report and recommendation of the medical staff administrative committee.

(9) These time periods are deemed guidelines only and do not periods. These periods may be stayed or altered pending receipt and verification of further information requested from the applicant, or if the application is deemed incomplete at any time. If the procedural rights create any right to have an application processed within these precise specified in rule 3335-111-06 of the Administrative Code are activated, the time requirements provided therein govern the continued processing of the application.

(10) The credentials committee shall review the application, evaluate and verify the supporting documentation, references, licensure, the clinical department chiefs report and recommendation, and other relevant information. The credentials committee shall examine the character, professional competence, professional conduct, qualifications, and ethical standing of the applicant and shall determine, through information contained in the personal references and from other sources available, whether the applicant established and met all of the necessary qualifications for the category of the medical staff and clinical privileges requested.

(11) The credentials committee shall, within thirty days from receipt of a completed application, make a recommendation to the medical director of credentialing that the application be accepted, rejected or modified. The medical director of credentialing shall forward the recommendation of the credentials committee to the medical staff administrative committee. The credentials committee or the medical director of credentialing may recommend to the medical staff administrative committee that certain applications for appointment be reviewed in executive session.

(12) The recommendation of the medical staff administrative committee regarding an appointment decision shall be made within thirty days of receipt of the credentials committee recommendation and shall be communicated by the medical director of credentialing, along with the recommendation of the director of medical affairs, to the quality and professional affairs committee of the Wexner medical center board, and thereafter to the Wexner medical center board. When the Wexner medical



center board has acted, the chair of the Wexner medical center board shall instruct the director of medical affairs to transmit the final decision to the clinical department chief, the applicant, and the respective department chairperson and/or division director.

(13) At any time, the medical staff administrative committee first recommends non-appointment of an initial applicant for any category of the medical staff or recommends denial of any clinical privileges requested by the applicant, the medical staff administrative committee shall require the medical director of credentialing to notify the applicant by certified return receipt mail that applicant may request an evidentiary hearing as provided in paragraph (D) of rule 3335-111-06 of the Administrative Code. The applicant shall be notified of the requirement to request a hearing as provided by paragraph (B) of rule 3335-111-06 of the Administrative Code. If a hearing is properly requested, the applicant shall be subject to the rights and responsibilities of rule 3335-111-06 of the Administrative Code. If an applicant fails to properly request a hearing, the medical staff administrative committee shall accept, reject, or modify the application for appointment to membership and clinical privileges.

(14) The director of medical affairs, who may make a separate recommendation to the Wexner medical center board, shall directly communicate the final recommendation of the medical staff administrative committee to the Wexner medical center board. When the Wexner medical center board has acted, the director of medical affairs will transmit the final decision to the clinical department chief, the applicant, the respective department chairperson and/or division director, and the Ohio state university board of trustees.

(F) Procedure for reappointment.

(1) Reappointment for all categories of the medical staff shall be for a period not to exceed thirty-six months. An appointment or grant of privileges for a period of less than thirty six months shall not be deemed an adverse action. At least ninety days prior to the end of the medical staff member or licensed allied health professionals appointment period, the clinical department chief shall provide each individual with an application for reappointment to the medical staff on forms prescribed by the medical staff administrative committee.

(2) The reappointment application shall include all information necessary to update and evaluate the



qualification of the applicant. The clinical department chief shall review the information available on each applicant for reappointment and shall make recommendations regarding reappointment to the medical staff and for granting of privileges for the ensuing appointment period. The clinical department chiefs recommendation shall be transmitted in writing along with the signed and completed reappointment forms to the appropriate department chairperson and/or division director at least forty-five days prior to the end of the individuals appointment. The terms of paragraphs (A), (B), (C), (D), (E)(1), and (E)(2) of this rule shall apply to all applicants for reappointment. Only completed applications for reappointment shall be considered by the credentials committee.

(3) An application for reappointment is complete when all the information requested on the reappointment application is provided, the reappointment form is signed by the applicant, and the information is verified, and no need for additional or clarifying information is identified. A completed reappointment application must contain:

(a) Evidence of current professional medical malpractice liability insurance required for the exercise of clinical privileges;

(b) Verification by primary source documentation of state licensure;

(c) DEA registration when required for clinical privileges as requested;

(d) Successful completion or record of any additional post graduate medical or professional education not submitted since initial or last appointment;

(e) Board certification, recertification, or continued active candidacy for certification or applicant qualifies for a waiver pursuant to paragraph (A)(5) of this rule.

(f) Information from the national practitioner data bank;

(g) Verification that the applicant has not been excluded from any federally funded health care program;

(h) Specific requests for any changes in clinical privileges sought at reappointment with supporting



documentation as required by credentialing guidelines;

(i) Specific requests for any changes in medical staff category;

(j) A summary of the members clinical activity during the previous appointment period;

(k) Verification of completion of any annual education requirements approved by the medical staff administrative committee and maintained in the chief medical officers office;

(1) Complete disclosure by individuals of claims, suits, verdicts and settlements, if any since last appointment; and

(m) Continuing medical education and applicable continuing professional education activities: documentation of category one CME that, at least in part, relates to the individual medical staff members specialty or subspecialty area and is consistent with the licensing requirements of the applicable Ohio state licensing board shall be required.

(n) Attending physicians only: submit information summarizing clinical research activities with each application.

(o) Attestation of current OARRS account for all applicants who have a DEA registration.

(4) The applicant for reappointment shall be required to submit any reasonable evidence of current ability to perform the clinical privileges requested. The clinical department chief shall review and evaluate the reappointment application and the supporting documentation. The clinical department chief shall evaluate all matters relevant to recommendation, including: the applicants professional competence; clinical judgment; clinical or technical skills; ethical conduct; participation in medical staff affairs, if applicable; compliance with the bylaws, rules and regulations of the medical staff, the Wexner medical center board, and the board of trustees of the Ohio state university; cooperation with the CHRI hospitals personnel and the use of the CHRI hospitals facilities for patients; relations with other physicians other health professionals or other staff; maintenance of a professional attitude toward patients; and the responsibility to the CHRI and the public.



(5) The clinical department chief shall submit a report of those findings along with a recommendation on reappointment to the applicants respective CHRI department chairperson and/or division director. Licensed allied health professional applicants will have their clinical department chiefs report submitted to the subcommittee of the credentials committee charged with review of application for associates to the medical staff. The department chairperson and/or division director shall review the reappointment application and forward to the medical director of credentialing with a recommendation for reappointment. The medical director of credentialing shall forward the reappointment forms and the recommendations of the clinical department chief and department chairperson and/or division director to the credentials committee. The credentials committee shall review the request for reappointment in the same manner, and with the same authority, as an original application for medical staff membership. The credentials committee shall review all aspects of the reappointment application including source verification of the members quality assurance record for continuing membership qualifications and for continuing clinical privileges. The credentials committee shall review each members performance-based profile to ensure that all medical staff members deliver the same level of quality of care with similar delineated clinical privileges across all clinical departments and across all categories of medical staff membership.

(6) The credentials committee shall forward its recommendations to the medical director of credentialing at least thirty days prior to the end of the period of appointment for the individual. The medical director of credentialing shall transmit the completed reappointment application and recommendation of the credentials committee to the medical staff administrative committee.

(7) Failure of the member to submit a reappointment application shall be deemed a voluntary resignation from the medical staff and shall result in automatic termination of membership and all clinical privileges at the end of the medical staff members current appointment period, action which shall not be subject to a hearing or appeal pursuant to rule 3335-111-06 of the Administrative Code. A request for reappointment subsequently received from a member who has been automatically terminated shall be processed as a new appointment.

(8) Failure of the clinical department chief to act in a timely manner on an application for reappointment shall be the same as provided in paragraph (E)(7) of this rule.

(9) The medical staff administrative committee shall review each request for reappointment in the



same manner and with the same authority as an original application for appointment to the medical staff and shall accept, reject, or modify the request for reappointment in the same manner and with the same authority as an original application. The recommendation of the medical staff administrative committee regarding reappointment shall be communicated by the medical director of credentialing, along with the recommendation of the director of medical affairs, to the quality and professional affairs committee of the Wexner medical center board, and thereafter to the Wexner medical center board. When the Wexner medical center board has acted, the chair of the Wexner medical center board shall instruct the director of medical affairs to transmit the final decision to the clinical department chief, the applicant, and the department chairperson and/or division director.

(10) When the decision of the medical staff administrative committee results in a decision of nonreappointment or reduction, suspension, or revocation of clinical privileges, the medical staff administrative committee shall instruct the medical director of credentialing to give written notice to the affected member of the decision, the stated reason for the decision, and the members right to a hearing pursuant to rule 3335-111-06 of the Administrative Code. This notification and an opportunity to exhaust the appeal process shall occur prior to an adverse decision unless the provisions outlined in paragraph (C) of rule 3335-111-06 of the Administrative Code apply. The notice by the medical director of credentialing shall be sent certified return receipt mail to the affected members last known address as determined by the Ohio state university records.

(11) If the affected member of the medical staff does not make a written request for a hearing to the director of medical affairs within thirty-one days after receipt of the adverse decision, it shall be deemed a waiver of the right to any hearing or appeal as provided in rule 3335-111-06 of the Administrative Code to which the staff member might otherwise have been entitled on the matter. If a timely, written request for hearing is made, the procedures set forth in rule 3335-111-06 of the Administrative Code shall apply.

(G) Resumption of clinical activities following a leave of absence:

(1) A member of the medical staff or credentialed provider shall request a leave of absence in writing for good cause shown such as medical reasons, educational and research reasons or military service to the chief of clinical service and the director of medical affairs. Such leave of absence shall be granted at the discretion of the chief of the clinical service and the director of medical affairs



provided, however, such leave shall not extend beyond the term of the members or credentialed providers current appointment. A member of the medical staff or credentialed providers who is experiencing health problems that may impair his or her ability to care for patients has the duty to disclose such impairment to his or her chief of clinical department and the director of medical affairs and the member or credentialed providers shall be placed on immediate medical leave of absence until such time the member or credentialed providers can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the director of medical affairs that the impairment has been sufficiently resolved and can request for reinstatement of clinical activities. During any leave of absence, the member or credentialed providers shall not exercise his or her clinical privileges, and medical staff responsibilities and prerogatives shall be inactive.

(2) The member or credentialed providers must submit a written request for the reinstatement of clinical privileges to the chief of the clinical service. The chief of the clinical service shall forward his recommendation to the credentialing committee which, after review and consideration of all relevant information, shall forward its recommendation to the medical staff administrative committee and the quality and professional affairs committee of the Wexner medical center board. The credentials committee, the director of medical affairs, the medical director of credentialing, the chief of the clinical service or the medical staff administrative committee shall have the authority to require any documentation, including advice and consultation from the members or credentialed providers treating physician or the committee for practitioner health that might have a bearing on the medical staff members or credentialed providers ability to carry out the clinical and educational responsibilities for which the medical staff is seeking privileges. Upon return from a leave of absence for medical reasons the medical staff member or credentialed providers must demonstrate his or her ability to exercise his or her clinical privileges upon return to clinical activity.

(3) All members or credentialed providers of the medical staff who take a leave of absence for medical or non-medical reasons must be in good standing on the medical staff upon resumption of clinical activities. No member shall be granted leave of absence in excess of his or her current appointment and the usual procedure for appointment and reappointment, including deadlines for submission of application as set forth in this rule will apply irrespective of the nature of the leave. Absence extending beyond his or her current term of failure to request reinstatement of clinical privileges shall be deemed a voluntary resignation from the medical staff and of clinical privileges, and in such event, the member or credentialed provider shall not be entitled to a hearing or appeal.