

California Participating Physician Application

This application is submitted to: _____, _____, _____, herein, this Healthcare Organization :

1. INSTRUCTIONS:

This form should be typed or legibly printed in black or blue ink. If more space is needed than provided on original, attach additional sheets and reference the question being answered. Please do not use abbreviations when completing the application. **Current copies of the following documents must be submitted with this application:**

- State Medical License(s)
- DEA Certificate
- Board Certification (if applicable)
- Face Sheet of Professional Liability Policy or Certification
- Curriculum Vitae • ECFMG (if applicable)

II. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

Last Name:	First:	Middle:
Is there any other name under which you have been known? Name (s):		
Home Mailing Address:	City:	
	State:	ZIP:
Home Telephone Number: Home Fax Number:	E-Mail Address: Pager Number:	
Birth Date:	Birth Place (City/State/Country):	Citizenship (if not a United States citizen, please include copy of Alien Registration Card).
Social Security #:	Gender : <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	
Specialty:	Race/Ethnicity (voluntary):	
Subspecialties:		

III. PRACTICE INFORMATION

Practice Name (if applicable):	Department Name (If Hospital Based):	
Primary Office Street Address:	City:	
	State:	ZIP:
Telephone Number:	Fax Number:	
Office Manager/Administrator:	Telephone Number:	
	Fax Number:	
Name Affiliated with Tax ID Number:	Federal Tax ID Number:	

¹ As used in the Information Release/Acknowledgements Section of this application, the term "this Healthcare Organization" shall refer to the entity to which this application is submitted as identified above

¹ This information will be used for consumer information purposes only

Secondary Office Street Address:	City:	
	State:	ZIP:
Office Manager/Administrator:	Telephone Number:	
	Fax Number:	
Name Affiliated with Tax ID Number:	Federal Tax ID Number:	
Tertiary Office Street Address:	City:	
	State:	ZIP:
Office Manager/Administrator:	Telephone Number:	
	Fax Number:	
Name Affiliated with Tax ID Number:	Federal Tax ID Number:	

Other Medical Interests in Practice, Research, etc.:

IV. PREMEDICAL EDUCATION (Attach additional sheets if necessary. Reference This Section Number and Title)

College or University Name:	Degree Received:	Date of Graduation: (mm/yy)
Mailing Address:	City:	
	State:	ZIP:

V. MEDICAL/PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION (Attach additional sheets if necessary. Reference This Section Number and Title)

Medical School:	Degree Received:	Date of Graduation: (mm/yy)
Mailing Address:	City:	
	State & Country:	ZIP:
Medical/Professional School:	Degree Received:	Date of Graduation: (mm/yy)
Mailing Address:	City:	
	State & Country:	ZIP:

POSTGRADUATE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

VI. INTERNSHIP/PGYI (Attach additional sheets if necessary. Reference This Section Number and Title)

Institution:	Program Director:		
Mailing Address:	City:		
	State & Country:	ZIP:	
Type of Internship:			
Specialty:	From: (mm/yy)	To: (mm/yy)	

VII. RESIDENCIES/FELLOWSHIPS (Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Reference this section Number and Title)

Include residencies, fellowships, preceptorships, teaching appointments (indicate whether clinical or academic), and postgraduate education in chronological order, giving name, address, city and ZIP code, and dates. Include all programs you attended, whether or not completed.

Institution:		Program Director:	
Mailing Address:		City:	
		State:	ZIP:
Type of Training eg. residency, etc.)	Specialty:	From: (mm/yy)	To: (mm/yy)

Did you successfully complete the program? Yes No (if "No," please explain on separate sheet.)

Institution:		Program Director:	
Mailing Address:		City:	
		State:	ZIP:
Type of Training:	Specialty:	From: (mm/yy)	To: (mm/yy)

Did you successfully complete the program? Yes No (if "No," please explain on separate sheet.)

Institution:		Program Director:	
Mailing Address:		City:	
		State:	ZIP:
Type of Training:	Specialty:	From: mm/yy	To: (mm/yy)

Did you successfully complete the program? Yes No (if "No," please explain on separate sheet.)

VIII. BOARD CERTIFICATION

Include certifications by board(s) which are duly organized and recognized by:
 a member board of the American Board of Medical Specialties
 a member board of the American Osteopathic Association
 a board or association with equivalent requirements approved by the Medical Board of California
 a board or association with an Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education of American Osteopathic Association approved postgraduate training that provides complete training in that specialty or subspecialty

Name of Issuing Board:	Specialty:	Date Certified/Recertified:	Expiration Date (if any):

Have you applied for board certification other than those indicated above? Yes No

If so, list board(s) and date(s):

If not certified, describe your intent for certification, if any, and date of eligibility for certification on separate sheet.

Physician Name: _____

IX. OTHER CERTIFICATIONS (E.G. FLUOROSCOPY, RADIOGRAPHY, ETC.)
 (Attach additional sheets if necessary. Reference This Section Number and Title)

Type:	Number:	Expiration Date:
Type:	Number:	Expiration Date:

X. MEDICAL LICENSURE/REGISTRATIONS (Remember to attach copies of documents)

California State Medical License Number:	Issue Date:	Expiration Date:
Drug Enforcement Administration(DEA) Registration Number:	Expiration Date:	
Controlled Dangerous Substances Certificate (CDS) (if applicable):	Expiration Date:	
ECFMG Number (applicable to foreign medical graduates):	Date Issued: _____ Valid Through: _____	
Medicare UPIN/National Physician Identifier (NPI):	MediCal/Medicaid Number:	

XI. ALL OTHER STATE MEDICAL LICENSES. List All Medical Licenses Now or Previously Held.
 (Attach additional sheets if necessary. Reference This Section Number and Title)

State:	License Number:	Expiration Date:
State:	License Number:	Expiration Date:
State:	License Number:	Expiration Date:

XII. PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY (Remember to attach copy of professional liability policy or certification/face sheet)

Current Insurance Carrier:	Policy Number:	Original effective date:	
Mailing Address:		City:	
		State:	ZIP:
Per Claim Amount:\$	Aggregate Amount:\$	Expiration Date:	

Please explain any surcharges to your professional liability coverage on a separate sheet. Reference This Section Number and Title.

Please list all of your professional liability carriers within the past seven years, other than the one listed above:

Name of Carrier:	Policy # :	From: (mm/yy)	To: (mm/yy)
Mailing Address:		City:	
		State:	ZIP:
Name of Carrier:	Policy # :	From: (mm/yy)	To: (mm/yy)
Mailing Address:		City:	
		State:	ZIP:

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Mailing Address:		City:	
		State:	ZIP:
Name of Carrier:	Policy # :	From: (mm/yy)	To: (mm/yy)
Mailing Address:		City:	
		State:	ZIP:

XIII. CURRENT HOSPITAL AND OTHER INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Please list in reverse chronological order (with the current affiliation(s) first) all institutions where you have current affiliations (A) and have had previous hospital privileges (B) during the past ten years. This includes hospitals, surgery centers, institutions, corporations, military assignments, or government agencies.

A. CURRENT AFFILIATIONS (Attach additional sheets if necessary. Reference This Section Number and Title)

Name and Mailing Address of Primary Admitting Hospital:	City:	
	State:	ZIP:
Department/Status (active, provisional, courtesy, etc.)-	Appointment Date:	
Name and Mailing Address of Other Hospital/Institution:	City:	
	State:	ZIP:
Department/Status:	Appointment Date:	
Name and Mailing Address of Other Hospital/Institution:	City:	
	State:	ZIP:
Department/Status:	Appointment Date:	

If you do not have hospital privileges, please explain on Addendum A.

B. PREVIOUS AFFILIATIONS During Last Ten Years. (Attach additional sheets if necessary. Reference This Section Number and Title)

Name and Mailing Address of Other Hospital/Institution:	City:	
	State:	ZIP:
From: (mm/yy)	To: (mm/yy)	Reason for Leaving:
Name and Mailing Address of Other Hospital/Institution:	City:	
	State:	ZIP:
From: (mm/yy)	To: (mm/yy)	Reason for Leaving:

Name and Mailing Address of Other Hospital/Institution:		City:
		State: ZIP:
From: (mm/yy)	To- (mm/yy)	Reason for Leaving:
Name and Mailing Address of Other Hospital/Institution:		City:
		State: ZIP:
From: (mm/yy)	To: (mm/yy)	Reason for Leaving:

XIV. PEER REFERENCES

List three professional references, preferably from your specialty area, not including relatives, current partners or associates in practice. If possible, include at least one member from the Medical Staff of each facility at which you have privileges.

NOTE: References must be from individuals who are directly familiar with your work, either via direct clinical observation or through close working relations.

Name of Reference:	Specialty:	Telephone Number:
Mailing Address:		City:
		State: ZIP:
Name of Reference	Specialty:	Telephone Number:
Mailing Address:		City:
		State: ZIP:
Name of Reference:	Specialty:	Telephone Number:
Mailing Address:		City:
		State: ZIP:

XV. WORK HISTORY (Attach additional sheets if necessary. Reference This Section Number and Title)

Chronologically list all work history activities since completion of postgraduate training (use extra sheets if necessary), This information must be complete. A curriculum vitae is sufficient provided it is current and contains all information requested below. Please explain any gaps in professional work history on a separate page.

Current Practice:	Contact Name:	Telephone Number:
		Fax Number:
Mailing Address:		City:
		State: ZIP:
From: (mm/yy)	To: (mm/yy)	

Name of Practice /Employer:	Contact Name:	Telephone Number:	
		Fax Number:	
Mailing Address:	City:		
	State:	ZIP:	
From: (mm/yy)	To: (mm/yy)		
Name of Practice /Employer:	Contact Name:	Telephone Number:	
		Fax Number:	
Mailing Address:	City:		
	State:	ZIP:	
From: (mm/yy)	To: (mm/yy)		

XVI. ATTESTATION QUESTIONS

Please answer the following questions "Yes" or "no". If your answer to questions A through K is "yes", or if your answer to L is "no", please provide full details on separate sheet.

A. Has your license to practice medicine in any jurisdiction, your Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) registration or any applicable narcotic registration in any jurisdiction ever been denied, limited, restricted, suspended, revoked, not renewed, or subject to probationary conditions, or have you voluntarily or involuntarily relinquished any such license or registration or voluntarily or involuntarily accepted any such actions or conditions, or have you been fined or received a letter of reprimand or is such action pending?

Yes No

B. Have you ever been charged, suspended, fined, disciplined, or otherwise sanctioned, subjected to probationary conditions, restricted or excluded, or have you voluntarily or involuntarily relinquished eligibility to provide services or accepted conditions on your eligibility to provide services, for reasons relating to possible incompetence or improper professional conduct, or breach of contract or program conditions, by Medicare, Medicaid, or any public program, or is any such action pending?

Yes No

C. Have your clinical privileges, membership, contractual participation or employment by any medical organization (e.g. hospital medical staff, medical group, independent practice association (IPA), health plan, health maintenance organization (HMO), preferred provider organization (PPO), private payer (including those that contract with public programs), medical society, professional association, medical school faculty position or other health delivery entity or system), ever been denied, suspended, restricted, reduced, subject to probationary conditions, revoked or not renewed for possible incompetence, improper professional conduct or breach of contract, or is any such action pending?

Yes No

D. Have you ever surrendered, allowed to expire, voluntarily or involuntarily withdrawn a request for membership or clinical privileges, terminated contractual participation or employment, or resigned from any medical organization (e.g., hospital medical staff, medical group, independent practice association (IPA), health plan, health maintenance organization (HMO), preferred provider organization (PPO), medical society, professional association, medical school faculty position or other health delivery entity or system) while under investigation for possible incompetence or improper professional conduct, or breach of contract, or in return for such an investigation not being conducted, or is any such action pending?

Yes No

E. Have you ever surrendered, voluntarily withdrawn, or been requested or compelled to relinquish your status as a student in good standing in any internship, residency, fellowship, preceptorship, or other clinical education program?

Yes No

F. Has your membership or fellowship in any local, county, state, regional, national, or international professional organization ever been revoked, denied, reduced, limited, subjected to probationary conditions, or not renewed, or is any such action pending?

Yes No

G. Have you been denied certification/recertification by a specialty board, or has your eligibility, certification or recertification status changed (other than changing from eligible to certified)?

Yes No

H. Have you ever been convicted of any crime (other than a minor traffic violation)?

Yes No

I. Do you presently use any drugs illegally?

Yes No

J. Have any judgments been entered against you, or settlements been agreed to by you within the last seven (7) years, in professional liability cases, or are there any filed and served professional liability lawsuits/arbitrations against you pending?

Yes No

K. Has your professional liability insurance ever been terminated, not renewed, restricted, or modified (e.g. reduced limits, restricted coverage, surcharged), or have you ever been denied professional liability insurance, or has any professional liability carrier provided you with written notice of any intent to deny, cancel, not renew, or limit your professional liability insurance or its coverage of any procedures?

Yes No

L. Are you able to perform all the services required by your agreement with, or the professional staff bylaws of, the Healthcare Organization to which you are applying, with or without reasonable accommodation, according to accepted standards of professional performance and without posing a direct threat to the safety of patients?

Yes No

I hereby affirm that the information submitted in this Section XVI, Attestation Questions, and any addenda thereto is true, current, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief and is furnished in good faith. I understand that material, omissions or misrepresentations may result in denial of my application or termination of my privileges, employment or physician participation agreement.

Print Name Here _____

Physician Signature _____ Date _____
 (Stamped Signature Is Not Acceptable)

INFORMATION RELEASE/ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

I hereby consent to the disclosure, inspection and copying of information and documents relating to my credentials, qualifications and performance ("credentialing information") by and between "this Healthcare Organization" and other Healthcare Organizations (e.g., hospital medical staffs, medical groups, independent practice associations (IPAs), health plans, health maintenance organizations (HMOs), preferred provider organizations (PPOs), other health delivery systems or entities, medical societies, professional associations, medical school faculty positions, training programs, professional liability insurance companies (with respect to certification of coverage and claims history), licensing authorities, and businesses and individuals acting as their agents (collectively, "Healthcare Organizations"), for the purpose of evaluating this application and any recredentialing application regarding my professional training, experience, character, conduct and judgment, ethics, and ability to work with others. In this regard, the utmost care shall be taken to safeguard the privacy of patients and the confidentiality of patient records, and to protect credentialing information from being further disclosed.

I am informed and acknowledge that federal and state laws provide immunity protections to certain individuals and entities for their acts and/or communications in connection with evaluating the qualifications of healthcare providers. I hereby release all persons and entities, including this Healthcare Organization, engaged in quality assessment, peer review and credentialing on behalf of this Healthcare Organization, and all persons and entities providing credentialing information to such representatives of this Healthcare Organization, from any liability they might incur for their acts and/or communications in connection with evaluation of my qualifications for participation in this Healthcare Organization, to the extent that those acts and/or communications are protected by state or federal law.

I understand that I shall be afforded such fair procedures with respect to my participation in this Healthcare Organization as may be required by state and federal law and regulation, including but not limited to, California Business and Professions Code Section 809 et seq , if applicable.

I understand and agree that I, as an applicant, have the burden of producing adequate information for proper evaluation of my professional competence, character, ethics and other qualifications and for resolving any doubt about such qualifications.

During such time as this application is being processed, I agree to update the application should there be any change in the information provided.

In addition to any notice required by any contract with a Healthcare Organization, I agree to notify this Healthcare Organization immediately in writing of the occurrence of an, of the following: (i) the unstayed suspension, revocation or nonrenewal of my license to practice medicine in California; (ii) any suspension, revocation or non renewal of my DEA or other controlled substances registration; or (iii) any cancellation or non renewal of my professional liability insurance coverage.

I further agree to notify this Healthcare Organization in writing, promptly and no later than fourteen (14) calendar days from the occurrence of any of the following: (i) receipt of written notice of any adverse action against me by the Medical Board of California taken or pending, including but not limited to, any accusation filed, temporary restraining order, or imposition of any interim suspension, probation or limitations affecting my license to practice medicine; or (ii) any adverse action against me by any Healthcare Organization which has resulted in the filing of a Section 805 report with the Medical Board of California, or a report with the National Practitioner Data Bank; or (iii) the denial, revocation, suspension, reduction, limitation, non renewal or voluntary relinquishment by resignation of my medical staff membership or clinical privileges at any Healthcare Organization; or (iv) any material reduction in my professional liability insurance coverage; or (v) my receipt of written notice of any legal action against me, including, without limitation, any filed and served malpractice suit or arbitration action; or (vi) my conviction of any crime (excluding minor traffic violations); or (vii) my receipt of written notice of any adverse action against me under the Medicare or Medicaid programs, including, but not limited to, fraud and abuse proceedings or convictions.

I hereby affirm that the information submitted in this application and any addenda thereto (including my curriculum vitae if attached) is true, current, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief and is furnished in good faith. I understand that material omissions or misrepresentations may result in denial of my application or termination of my privileges, employment or physician participation agreement. A photocopy of this document shall be as effective as the original, however, original signatures and current dates are required on pages 8 and 9.

Print Name Here _____

Physician Signature _____ Date _____
(Stamped Signature Is Not Acceptable)

³ The intent of this release is to apply at a minimum, protections comparable to those available in California to any action, regardless of where such action is brought

Addenda Submitting (Please check the following):

- Addendum A - Health Plan and IPA/Medical Group
- Addendum B - Professional Liability Action Explanation
- Addendum C -Right to Review and Correct Erroneous Information

This Application and Addenda A and B were created and are endorsed by:

- American Medical Group Association - (310/430-1191 x223)
- California Association of Health Plans - (916/552-2910)
- California Healthcare Association - (916/552-7574)
- California Medical Association - (415/882-5166)
- National IPA Coalition -
- The Medical Quality Commission - (310/936-1100x230)

Individual healthcare organizations may request additional information or attach supplements to this form. They are not part of the California Participation Physician Reapplication nor have they been endorsed by the above organizations. Any questions about supplements should be addressed to the health care organization from which it was provided.

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Addendum A

Health Plans and IPA's/Medical Groups

This Addendum is submitted to: _____ herein, this Healthcare Organization. '

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION			
Last Name:	First:	Middle:	
Medical Group (s) /IPA(s) Affiliation:			
Do you intend to serve as a primary care provider? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Do you intend to serve as a specialist? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (If yes, please list specialty(s) _____)			
Please check all that apply:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Solo Practice		<input type="checkbox"/> Single Specialty	
<input type="checkbox"/> Group Practice		<input type="checkbox"/> Multi specialty	
II. BILLING INFORMATION			
Billing Company:			
Street Address:		City:	
		State:	ZIP:
Contact:		Telephone Number:	
Name Affiliated with Tax ID Number:		Federal Tax ID Number:	
III. PRACTICE INFORMATION			
Do you employ any allied health professionals (e.g. nurse practitioners, physician assistants, psychologists, etc.)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
If so, please list:			
Name:	Type of Provider:	License Number:	
_____	_____	_____	
_____	_____	_____	
If you are a Physician Assistant Supervisor, please include State License Number: _____			
Do you personally employ any physicians (do not include physicians that are employed by the medical group)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
If so, please list:			
Name:	California Medical License Number:		
_____	_____		
Please list any clinical services you perform that are not typically associated with your specialty: _____			
Please list any clinical services you <u>do not</u> perform that are typically associated with your specialty: _____			

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Is your practice limited to certain ages? Yes No
 If yes, specify limitations: _____

Are you a Certified Qualified Medical Examiner (QME) of the State Industrial Medical Council? Yes No

Do you participate in EDI (electronic data interchange)? Yes No
 If so, which Network? _____

Do you use a practice management system/software? Yes No
 If so, which one? _____

What type of anesthesia do you provide in your group/office?
 Local Regional Conscious Sedation General None Other (please specify) _____

Has your office received any of the following accreditations, certifications or licensures?
 American Association for Accreditation of Ambulatory Surgery Facilities (AAAASF)
 California Department of Health Services Licensure
 Institute for Medical Quality-Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (IMIQ-AAAHC)
 Medicare Certification
 The Medical Quality Commission (TMQC)
 Other _____

IV. OFFICE HOURS - Please indicate the hours your office is open:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Holidays

V. COVERAGE OF PRACTICE (List your answering service and covering physicians by name. Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Answering Service Company: _____ Phone Number: () Fax Number: ()

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____
 State: _____ ZIP: _____

Covering Physician's Name: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Covering Physician's Name: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Covering Physician's Name: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Covering Physician's Name: _____ Telephone Number: _____

If you do not have hospital privileges, please provide written plan for continuity of care: _____

VII. FOREIGN LANGUAGES SPOKEN

Fluently by Physician:

Fluently by Staff:

VII. LABORATORY SERVICES

If you provide direct laboratory services, please indicate the TIN utilized and provide Clinical Laboratory Information Act (CLIA) information. Attach a copy of your CLIA certificate or waiver if you have one.

Tax ID#

Billing Name:

Type of Service Provided:

Do you have a CLIA certificate?

Yes

No

Do you have a CLIA waiver?

Yes

No

Certificate Number:

Certificate Expiration Date:

VIII. PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Please list country, state or national medical societies, or other professional organizations or societies of which you are a member or applicant.

Organization Name	Applicant	Member
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I certify that the information in this document and any attached documents is true and correct.

Print Name Here _____

Physician Signature _____ Date _____

(Stamped Signature Is Not Acceptable)

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Addendum B

Professional Liability Action Explanation

This Addendum is submitted to: _____ herein, this Healthcare Organization ¹.

Please complete this form for each pending, settled or otherwise concluded professional liability lawsuit or arbitration filed and served against you, in which you were named a party in the past seven (7) years, whether the lawsuit or arbitration is pending, settled or otherwise concluded, and whether or not any payment was made on your behalf by any insurer, company, hospital or other entity. All questions must be answered completely in order to avoid delay in expediting your application. If there is more than one professional liability lawsuit or arbitration action, please photocopy this Addendum B prior to completing, and complete a separate form for each lawsuit.

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

Last Name:	First:	Middle:
Street Address:	City:	
	State:	ZIP:

II. CASE INFORMATION

City, County and State where lawsuit filed:	Court case number, if known:
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Date of alleged incident serving as basis for the lawsuit/arbitration:	Date Suit Filed:	Sex of patient:	Age of patient: _____
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Location of Incident:

Hospital
 My office
 Other doctor's office
 Surgery Center
 Other, (please specify) _____

Your relationship to Patient (Attending Physician, Surgeon, Assistant, Consultant, etc.):

Allegation:

Is/was there an insurance company or other liability protection company or organization providing coverage/defense of the lawsuit or arbitration action?
 Yes
 No

If yes, please provide company name, contact person, phone number, location and carrier's claim identification number of insurance company, or other liability protection company or organization.

If you would like us to contact your attorney regarding any of the above, please provide attorney(s) name(s) and phone number(s). Please fax this document to your attorney as this will serve as your authorization:

Name _____ Phone Number (_____) _____

Name _____ Phone Number (_____) _____

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ADDENDUM C
TO THE
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I. Military Reserve Status

Are you currently on active duty military reserve? Yes No

II. Right of Review

A practitioner has the right to review information obtained by the Foundation for Medical Care for the purpose of evaluating that practitioner's credentialing or recredentialing application. This includes non-privileged information obtained from any outside source (e.g. malpractice insurance carriers, state licensing boards, National Practitioner Data Bank), but does not extend to review of information, references or recommendations protected by law from disclosure.

A practitioner may request to review such information at any time by sending a written request via letter or fax to the Credentialing Department at 3335 S. Fairway, Visalia, CA 93277 fax number (559)734-0431. The Credentialing Department will notify the practitioner within 72 hours of the date and time when such information will be available for review at the Credentialing Department office located in Visalia California.

III. Notification of Discrepancy

Practitioners will be notified in writing, via letter or fax, when information obtained by primary sources varies substantially from information provided on the practitioner's application. Examples of information at substantial variance include reports of a practitioner's malpractice claims history, actions taken against a practitioner's license/certificate, suspension or termination of hospital privileges or board certification expiration when one or more of these examples have not been self-reported by the practitioner on his/her application form. Practitioners will be notified of the discrepancy at the time of primary source verification. Sources will not be revealed if information obtained is not intended for verification of credentialing elements or is protected from disclosure by law.

IV. Correction of Erroneous Information

If a practitioner believes that erroneous information has been supplied to the Foundation for Medical Care by primary sources, the practitioner may correct such information by submitting written notification to the credentialing department. Practitioners must submit a written notice (via letter or fax) along with a detailed explanation to the credentialing department, Foundation for Medical Care, 3335 S. Fairway, Visalia, CA 93277, fax number (559)734-0431. Notification to the Foundation For Medical Care must occur within 48 hours of Foundation's notification to the practitioner of a discrepancy as provided in Section III or within 24 hours of a practitioner's review of his/her credentials file as provided in Section I.

Upon receipt of notification from the practitioner, the Foundation For Medical Care will reverify the primary source of information in dispute. If the primary source information has changed, corrections will be made immediately to the practitioner's credentials file. The practitioner will be notified in writing, via letter or fax, that the correction has been made to his/her credential file. If upon re-review, primary source information remains inconsistent with practitioner's notification, the Credentialing Department will so notify the practitioner via letter or fax. The practitioner may then provide proof of correction by the primary source body to the Foundation For Medical Care Credentialing Department via letter or fax at the address above within 10 working days. The Credentialing Department will reverify primary source information if such documentation is provided. If after 10 working days, primary source information remains in dispute, the practitioner will be subject to action under policy CR- 105, Adverse Action, up to administrative denial/termination.

Signature: _____

Date: _____