# Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center DEPARTMENT OF NURSING OPERATING ROOM POLICY AND PROCEDURE

SUBJECT:	COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES	Policy No.:	OR 010
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**Purpose of Procedure**: To define the forum for direct communication between departments providing patient care in the Operating Room.

## Physician's Order Required: No

## Performed By: All Operating Room staff

### **Policy Statements:**

- 1. The Department of Surgery has established committees to ensure communication between departments that provide patient care.
- 2. It is the responsibility of the Department of Surgery Committee to review relationships between nursing service and the surgical staff, recommends policies and procedures concerning Operating Room activities, and considers and recommends standard protocols and techniques. The membership includes representatives from the surgical staff, anesthesia and nursing staff. The Nurse Manager of the Surgical Unit is an active member of the committee.
- 3. It is the responsibility of the Infection Control Committee to review existing practices in infection control, monitor surgical infections, establish policies, procedures and guidelines regarding infection control in the Operating Room and educate all personnel in basic infection control information. The Nurse Manager of the Surgical Unit is an active member of the committee.

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### **Reference:**

Professional Staff Association rules and regulations, 2015

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