HIGH DESERT HEALTH SYSTEM AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTER

SUBJECT:

XVI-100 SURGICAL CASE REVIEW

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PURPOSE: To describe process in place to ensure review of appropriateness and tissue

support of diagnosis of surgical and invasive procedures performed at the

Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC).

POLICY: Review of surgical and invasive procedure shall be conducted on a quarterly

basis by the High Desert Health System (HDHS) Quality Management Department to ensure procedures meet appropriateness criteria and, if applicable, post-operative tissue findings/pathology support pre-operative

diagnosis.

PROCEDURE:

- 1. 50% of the surgical and invasive procedures will be reviewed for compliance with the following indicators:
 - a. Appropriateness of criteria for procedure met
 - b. Post-operative tissue findings/pathology supports pre-operative diagnosis
- 2. A quarterly report, including the analysis and evaluation of overall quality of care and identification of any individual trends and patterns, will be presented at the ASC Medical Advisory Committee meetings for discussion and recommendations for action, if indicated.
- 3. All tissues or objects removed are sent to the pathologist. All cases are reviewed by and report is generated and signed by the pathologist at Olive View Medical Center. Those cases in which no specimen was removed are reviewed only for compliance with the criteria for appropriateness.
- 4. Review of surgical and postoperative complications will be performed concurrently for appropriate management. When problems are found by case review, tissue audit, or infection control review, the HDHS Quality Management liaison will present it to the ASC Medical Advisory Committee for evaluation and recommendations for corrective action. The ASC Medical Advisory Committee may need to make recommendations to the governing body.

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