

# **Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center**

# MEDICAL STAFF POLICY AND PROCEDURE

SUBJECT: HIV-AIDS ATTESTATION PROCEDURE Policy No.: MS 106

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PURPOSE: To describe the criteria and qualifications required to meet the definition of an HIV/AIDS

specialist, and the procedure for completion of the HIV/AIDS Attestation form.

POLICY: An "HIV/AIDS specialist" refers to a physician who holds a valid, un-revoked and

unsuspended license to practice medicine in the state of California, and who meets any

of the following four criteria:

1. Has been credentialed, as an "HIV Specialist," by the American Academy of HIV

Medicine; or

2. Is board certified, or has earned a certificate of Added Qualification, in the field of

HIV Medicine granted by a member board of the American Board of Medical

Specialties, should a member board of that organization establish board

certification, or a Certificate of Added Qualification, in the field of HIV medicine;

or

3. Is board certified in the field of Infectious Diseases, by a member board of the

American Board of Medical Specialties and meets the following qualifications:

A. In the immediately preceding 12 months has clinically managed medical

care to a minimum of 25 patients who are infected with HIV; and

B. In the immediately preceding 12 months has successfully completed a

minimum of 15 hours of category 1 continuing medical education in the

prevention of HIV infection, combined with diagnosis, treatment, or both,

of HIV-infected patients, including a minimum of 5 hours related to

antiretroviral therapy per year; or

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4. Meets the following qualifications:

- A. In the immediately preceding 24 months has clinically managed medical care to a minimum of 20 patients who are infected with HIV; and
- B. Has completed any of the following:
  - In the immediately preceding 12 months has obtained board certification or recertification in the field of infectious diseases from a member board of the American Board of Medical Specialties; or
  - In the immediately preceding 12 months has successfully completed a minimum of 30 hours of category 1 continuing medical education in the prevention of HIV infection, combined with diagnosis, treatment, or both, of HIV-infected patients; or
  - 3. In the immediately preceding 12 months has successfully completed a minimum of 15 hours of category 1 continuing medical education in the prevention of HIV infection combined with diagnosis, treatment, or both, or HIV-infected patients and has successfully completed the HIV Medicine Competency Maintenance Examination administered by the American Academy of HIV Medicine.

#### PROCEDURE:

- Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center (RLANRC) Medical Staff Coordinator (MSC) sends, on an annual basis, the HIV/AIDS Specialist Attestation Form, Part I (Attachment 1) to the Infectious Disease specialists who work at HDHS.
- 2. The Infectious Disease specialist is asked to circle all applicable information on the Attestation form, sign and date the form, and provide the necessary documents (i.e., copies of CME certificates) to support their qualifications for designation as an HIV/AIDS specialist.

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3. The HDHS MSC completes Part II of the HIV/AIDS Specialist Attestation Form (Attachment 2), indicating the appropriate credentialing information.

4. The HIV/AIDS Specialist Attestation forms are placed in the provider's credential file along with any supporting documents.

## **REFERENCES**:

Section 1344 and 1374.16, Health and Safety Code

## ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. HIV/AIDS Specialist Attestation Form, Part I
- 2. HIV/AIDS Specialist Attestation Form, Part II