

Delineation of Clinical Privileges Specialty of Cardiology

General Information

All applicants must meet the qualifications, conditions and responsibilities as set forth in MLH Credentials Policies. Policies are located on www.methodistmd.org

Applicants seeking appointment, reappointment, and/or clinical privileges have the burden of producing information deemed adequate by the Hospital for a proper evaluation of current clinical competence, character, ethics, and other qualifications and for resolving any doubts about an individual's qualifications.

Other requirements:

- Applicants will be requested to provide documentation of practice and current clinical competence as defined on the attached competency grid for initial granting and reappointment of privileges.
- This document is focused on defining qualifications related to competency to exercise clinical privileges. The applicant must also adhere to any additional organizational, regulatory, or accreditation requirements that the organization is obligated to meet.
- Privileges granted may be exercised only at the Hospitals that offer the service/specialty, have sufficient space, equipment, staffing, and other resources required to support the privilege.
- Requests for clinical privileges that are subject to an exclusive contract will not be processed except as consistent with the contract.

Evaluating Current Clinical Competence at time of Reappointment:

MLH Data will be obtained and analyzed as available from EMR reporting systems or Health Information Management.

If minimal activity/low volume, then the applicant should supply case logs from other facilities' HIM department or practice billing systems to meet the minimum requirement(s) to be considered for the privilege. Source of the logs must be denoted.

The preferable format for external case logs is Excel or PDF from the sourced system. Handwritten case logs are generally not accepted.

Case logs should include a blinded or partial patient number for case distinction, date of service, type of service (inpatient or outpatient), location of service, diagnostic code and/or procedure codes, and performing provider where applicable.



Privilege	Initial Application: Required Education or Training	Initial Application: Current Clinical Competence:	Reappointment: Retrospective review of cases performed at MLH facility (FPPE)
Cardiology Core	Current board certification in Internal Medicine by the American Board of Internal Medicine or the American Osteopathic Board of Internal Medicine AND subspecialty certification in Cardiology OR Successful completion of an ACGME or AOA accredited post-graduate training program in Internal Medicine AND completion of an ACGME or AOA accredited post-graduate training program in Cardiology AND board certification within 5 years of completion. In order for Moderate Procedural Sedation to be a Cardiology Core privilege, applicant must: Provide her/his Program Director's verification of successful performance of, and clinical competency in providing moderate procedural sedation AND Successfully complete the MLH Cornerstone module Moderate Sedation For Non-Anesthesia Staff OR Cardiologists who currently hold the Moderate Procedural Sedation privilege and successfully met the maintenance requirement for this privilege during their previous credentialing cycle are eligible to have moderate procedural sedation added as a core Cardiology privilege.	Case logs and procedure list from primary practice facility for the previous 12 month time period. Any complications/poor outcomes should be delineated and accompanied by an explanation.	FPPE: First 5 cases
Cardiology Pediatric Core	Current board certification in Pediatrics by the American Board of Pediatrics and subspecialty certification in Cardiology OR Successful completion of an ACGME accredited post-graduate training program in Pediatrics and completion of an ACGME accredited post-graduate training program in Cardiology and board certification within 5 years of completion.	Case logs and procedure list from primary practice facility for the previous 12 month time period. Any complications/poor outcomes should be delineated and accompanied by an explanation.	FPPE: First 5 patients being evaluated for heart disease
Invasive Cardiology Core	The state of the s	Procedure list from primary practice facility for the previous 12 month time period. Any complications/poor outcomes should be delineated and accompanied by an explanation.	FPPE: First 5 Cardiac Cath cases Pediatric: 100% of charts and angiograms reviewed in first 3 months



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Invasive Pediatric/Congenital Cardiology Core		Procedure list from primary practice facility for the previous 12 month time period. Case logs showing 50 cases over previous two years of procedures representative of congenital cardiology. Any complications/poor outcomes should be delineated and accompanied by an explanation.	FPPE: First 5 invasive cases 25 cases every two years
Clinical Pediatric/Congenital Cardiac Electrophysiology Core	Completion of an additional one year program in congenital electrophysiology cardiology	Procedure list from primary practice facility for the previous 12 month time period. Case log showing 50 EP/RF cases over previous two years and 20 permanent pacemaker and/or ICD cases. Any complications/poor outcomes should be delineated and accompanied by an explanation.	FPPE: First 5 EP and RF cases; first 3 pacemakers/ICDs 25 EP/RF cases every two years; 10 PM/ICD cases every two years
Interventional Cardiology Core	Completion of an additional one year program in interventional cardiology. A. For applicants who completed subspecialty training after January 1, 1995 requires program in interventional cardiology documented/certified by the training institution through its Chief of Cardiology or Director of Training Program or subspecialty certification. B. For applicants who completed subspecialty training before January 1, 1995 requires documentation of performance of primary operator of 500 coronary intervention cases over lifetime or 150 cases in previous 2 years. Case documentation must include endorsement/certification by Chief of Cardiology or designee from the institution(s) where cases performed. Privileges may also be requested based on subspecialty certification in interventional cardiology.	Procedure list from primary practice facility for the previous 12 month time period. Any complications/poor outcomes should be delineated and accompanied by an explanation.	FPPE: First 5 PTCA cases .
Interventional Pediatric/Congenital Cardiology Core	Completion of an additional one year program in congenital interventional cardiology	Procedure list from primary practice facility for the previous 12 month time period. Case logs showing 50 cases over previous two years of procedures representative of congenital cardiology. Any complications/poor outcomes should be delineated and accompanied by an explanation.	FPPE: First 5 interventional cases 50 cases every two years



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Adult Congenital Heart Disease Core	Current board certification in Cardiology by the American Board of Internal Medicine OR current board certification in Pediatric Cardiology by the American Board of Pediatrics AND subspecialty certification in ACHD via one of the following pathways: 1. Until 2019, the applicant who is currently board certified in either Cardiology or Pediatric Cardiology may apply to sit for the ACHD subspecialty board exam if approved by the ABIM. 2. After 2019, an applicant must complete an additional fellowship in ACHD at an approved ACGME program in order to sit for the ACHD subspecialty board exam.	Case log and procedure list from primary practice facility for the previous 12 month time period. Any complications/poor outcomes should be delineated and accompanied by an explanation.	FPPE: First 5 patients Case log documenting 25 cases within the previous 24 months.
Peripheral Interventional Procedures	Must maintain current Cardiology and Interventional Cardiology Core privileges.	If interventional Cardiology Fellowship was completed in the last 12 months provide; Case log of 300 diagnostic coronary angiograms with 200 as primary operator Case log of 100 diagnostic peripheral angiograms with 50 as the primary operator Case log of 50 peripheral interventional cases with 25 as the primary operator OR If applying with current experience, provide: Case log of 25 peripheral interventional procedures in the past 12 months	FPPE: First 5 cases Case log documenting 25 procedures within the previous 24 months.
Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology Core	Must maintain both Cardiology and Invasive Cardiology Core privileges. Documentation of successful completion of an accredited training program in CCEP.	Case log documenting the performance of at least 150 intracardiac procedures, 50 primary permanent pacemaker implantations, 20 pacemaker system revisions or replacements, 100 pacemaker follow up visits, 25 primary ICD implantations, 10 ICD revisions or replacements, and a minimum of 50 ICD follow up visits Case log documenting 100 procedures within the previous 24 months	FPPE: First 5 AICD cases, and First 5 RFA cases Case log documenting 300 intracardiac procedures over the reappointment cycle including 10 ICD and CRT procedures per year and 40 patients in follow up.



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AF Ablation	Must maintain CCEP Core privileges. Demonstrate completion of training in the difference in technique of AF Ablations, If fellowship training included AF Ablations, demonstrate competency by training director recommendation. If not trained during fellowship, current practicing electrophysiologists who were not trained during fellowship should provide documentation of special training course in AF ablations. Or Observation/preceptee of 5 AF ablation cases.	Case log documenting 30 successful ablations for AF during fellowship. If not trained during fellowship, current practicing electrophysiologists will provide 5 concurrently proctored AF ablations with successful outcomes.	FPPE: first 5 procedures Case log documenting 10 successful AF ablations annually.
Left Atrial Appendage Closure (LAAC) Device Placement (Watchman, Amplatzer Amulet)	Maintain current clinical privileges in Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology Core or Interventional Cardiology Core, And Successful completion of didactic and laboratory training in LAA Closure device as documented by a certificate of completion from an approved training program such as Boston Scientific and/or Abbott Structural Heart program.	Certificate validating successful completion of Watchman training program or Abbott Structural Heart program And Case log documenting 25 interventional cardiology procedures involving transseptal puncture through an intact septum with at least 10 of the 25 procedures being performed within the most recent 12 months. And Two (2) successfully proctored cases as evidenced by proctor evaluation forms OR Case log documenting performance of 25 interventional cardiology procedures that involve transseptal puncture through an intact septum, 12 of which were LAAC placements performed within the past 24 months.	FPPE: first 5 procedures Case log documenting 12 LAAC (Watchman and/or Amplatzer Amulet) placements performed within the past 24 months per device available at specific MLH hospital



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CCTA	CBCCT Board Certification and documentation of continuing education: 6 hours category I CME relevant to CCTA in the previous two year period. Or Completion of a SCCT sponsored or endorsed Level 2 or Level 3 CCT (CCTA) training course with documentation or letter from course director. Or Completion of an ACGME or AOA approved postgraduate training program in Cardiology that included cardiac CT angiography including education in cardiac anatomy, physiology, pathology and cardiac CT imaging for a time equivalent to at least 20 hours of CME	If CBCCT Board Certified, submission of a case log documenting 20 contrast CCT exams interpreted within the previous 24 months, which may include primary interpretation, blinded over-reading, proctored reading, or from a teaching file. Or If completing a SCCT sponsored or endorsed Level 2 or Level 3 CCT (CCTA) training course, submission of a case log documenting 50 contrast CCT exams interpreted during training, which may include primary interpretation, blinded over-reading, proctored reading, or from a teaching file. Or If completing an ACGME or AOA approved postgraduate training program in Cardiology that included cardiac CT angiography documentation indicating interpretation, reporting, and or supervised review of at least 150 cardiac CT examinations (in which 50 cases the physician is physically involved in the acquisition and interpretation of the case) excluding coronary artery calcium scanning	FPPE: First 5 cases Case log documenting 20 contrast CCT exams interpreted within the previous 24 months, which may include primary interpretation, blinded over-reading, proctored reading, or from a teaching file. Documentation of continuing education: 6 hours category I CME relevant to CCTA per 2 year period.
Leadless Pacemaker	Maintain Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology Core privileges	Certificate validating successful completion of Medtronic Implantation didactic and hands-on procedural training program	FPPE: First case Case log documenting the performance of 2 cases within the previous 24 months.
Laser Lead Extraction	Maintain Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology Core privileges If fellowship training included laser lead extractions, provide training director recommendation. Or If not trained in laser lead extraction during fellowship, provide certificate documenting completion of didactic and laboratory training course in laser lead extraction.	If CCEP Fellowship was completed in the last 12 months, provide a case log of 30 lead extractions as primary operator under the direct supervision of a qualified physician. Or If applying as an initial applicant with laser lead extraction experience at an external facility, provide a case log of 20 cases in the previous 12 months. Or If the applicant cannot provide the number of cases from fellowship or current practice as indicated above, five (5)	FPPE: First 5 cases Case log documenting the performance of at least 24 cases over the previous 24 months



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		successfully proctored cases as evidenced by proctor evaluation forms.	
Nuclear Cardiology	Certification by the Certification Board of Nuclear Cardiology (CBNC), and a letter of recommendation from the medical director of the laboratory at the institution where applicant was trained and/or has been most recently practicing. Or Currently privileged at an ICANL (Intersocietal Commission for the Accreditation of Nuclear Medicine Laboratories) accredited laboratory and a letter of recommendation from the medical director of the laboratory at the institution where applicant was trained and/or has been most recently practicing. Or Completion of an ACGME or AOA approved postgraduate training program in Cardiology and an approved fellowship in Nuclear Cardiology, with a letter from the training director (if within 5 years of training), and if not coming directly from training, a letter of recommendation from the medical director of the laboratory at the institution where applicant was trained and/or has been most recently practicing. Or If the applicant did not complete a fellowship program in Nuclear Cardiology, must demonstrate training and/or experience that is	If, certified by the CBNC, and if more than two years from certification, case logs documenting at least 100 nuclear cardiology cases within the previous 24 months Or If currently privileged at an ICANL accredited laboratory, case logs documenting at least 100 nuclear cardiology cases within the previous 24 months Or If limited access to read Nuclear Cardiology studies prevented previous maintenance of the privilege, the applicant may request the privilege and perform 20 successfully proctored study interpretations. Or If completing an ACGME or AOA approved postgraduate training program in Cardiology and an approved fellowship in Nuclear Cardiology, case logs documenting at least 100 nuclear cardiology cases within the previous 24 months Or If the applicant did not complete a fellowship program in Nuclear Cardiology cases large documenting at least 100 nuclear cardiology cases large documenting at least 100 nuclear cardiology cases large documenting at least 100 nuclear cardiology cases within the previous 24 months	FPPE: First 5 cases Case log documenting the performance of at least 25 nuclear cardiology cases within the previous 24 months. If applicant is NOT certified in Nuclear Cardiology by the CBNC, 10 hours of continuing medical education specifically in Nuclear Cardiology within the previous 24 months are required to maintain the privilege.
	Cardiology, must demonstrate training and/or experience that is equivalent to the training in a formal program, such as completion of a minimum of a four month formal training program in Nuclear Cardiology (level 2 training in nuclear cardiology) according to the 2006 ACC/ASNC COCATS (American College of Cardiology/American Society of Nuclear Cardiology, Certification Board of Cardiovascular Computer Tomography) training guidelines, with a letter from the training director (if within 5 years of training), and if not coming directly from training, a letter of recommendation from the medical director of the laboratory at the institution where applicant was trained and/or has been most recently practicing.	Nuclear Cardiology case logs documenting at least 100 nuclear cardiology cases within the previous 24 months. Special Circumstance for Initial applicants who recently completed 1 or 2 contiguous years of additional cardiology training beyond general cardiology fellowship: Applicants must meet all criteria required for initial applicant whose general cardiology training was completed < 2 years prior to the time of application.	
	Or If training was completed prior to 1995, 10 years of Nuclear Cardiology practice with independent interpretation of at least 800 Nuclear Cardiology studies within the past 10 years of which 200 cases must have been interpreted in the past two years.	-If the applicant performed at least 100 Nuclear Cardiology studies during general cardiology fellowship, but cannot document 100 over the course of the last 3 years prior to application, he/she is eligible for proctored Nuclear Cardiology credentialing. A cardiologist who has Nuclear Cardiology privileges and the applicant will be responsible for documenting the	

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	Applicant must meet the safety requirements and be listed on the state nuclear usage license for the facility.	successfully proctored performance of at least 20 Nuclear Cardiology studies prior to the granting of unrestricted Nuclear Cardiology privileges. At the Cardiology Department Chair's discretion, additional mentored studies may be required. Or If training was completed prior to 1995, 10 case logs documenting independent interpretation of at least 800 Nuclear Cardiology studies within the past 10 years of which 200 cases must have been interpreted in the past two years	
As of Board approval on 4/15/2020, this special privilege is no longer available to new applicants. Cardiologists who were granted the privilege prior to 4/15/2020 may maintain the privilege if they meet the maintenance requirement.	For those cardiology trainees who elect to obtain proficiency in the surgical aspects of transvenous bradycardia device implantation (pacemakers), previous or concurrent Level 2 training is required. The pacemaker implantation training includes: - developing expertise in permanent atrial & ventricular lead placement - threshold testing and programming of devices - principals of surgical asepsis - surgical techniques of implantation and management of implant-related complications. Individuals receiving qualifying training in pacemaker implantation are required to participate as the primary operator (under direct supervision) in at least: - 50 primary implantations of transvenous pacemakers - 20 pacemaker system revisions or replacements. - At least half of the implantations involve dual chamber pacemakers. The trainee also participates in the follow-up of at least 100 pacemaker patient visits and is expected to acquire proficiency in advanced pacemaker electrocardiography, interrogation and programming of complex pacemakers. Level 2 training (6 months) with the option of training in pacemaker implantation (6 months) requires a total of one year of advanced training beyond the cardiology core Level 1. This may be obtained within a 3 year cardiology program if 1 of the 3 years is dedicated to acquiring pacemaker implantation skills plus related management and follow up skills. This training does not meet the ABIM requirements for admission to the CCEP Examination.	Case log documenting 50 primary implantations of transvenous pacemakers and 20 pacemaker system revisions or replacements. At least half of the implantations should involve dual chamber pacemakers.	FPPE: First 5 cases Case log documenting 20 procedures within the previous 24 months
Stress Echo (Dobutamine Stress Echo and Treadmill Echo) *For Adult Cardiology	Must currently have or be concurrently applying for Trans Thoracic Echocardiogram privilege AND	Must currently have or be concurrently applying for Trans Thoracic Echocardiogram AND	FPPE: First 5 cases Case log of at least 50 stress echocardiograms over the past 24

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Practitioners*	If cardiology training was completed less than 2 years prior to the time of application for the privilege: A letter from the cardiology training program director or echocardiography lab director documenting successful performance and interpretation of at least 100 stress echocardiograms must be provided. OR If cardiology training was completed 2 or more years prior to the time of application for privileges: A letter from the director of echocardiography at a current or previous echocardiography laboratory attesting to the applicant's successful performance and interpretation of at least 50 studies over the previous 2 years.	If cardiology training was completed less than 2 years prior to the time of application for the privilege: Case log or hard copy reports of performance and interpretation of 100 stress echocardiograms. OR If cardiology training was completed 2 or more years prior to the time of application for privileges: Case log or hard copy reports of performance and interpretation of 50 Stress Echocardiograms	months. AND Maintain TTE privileges
Trans Thoracic Echocardiogram (TTE) *for Adult Cardiology Practitioners*	1. If cardiology fellowship training was completed < 2 years prior to application for the privilege: Either A letter from the fellowship program director or echocardiography lab director documenting satisfactory completion of a minimum of 6 months of COCATS level 2 echocardiography training during fellowship is obtained Or National Board of Echocardiography (NBE) certification in TTE OR 2. If cardiology fellowship training was completed 2 or more years prior to application for the privilege and the physician has been performing the procedure/interpretation: Either A letter from the facility's director of echocardiography attesting to the successful interpretation of at least 300 studies during the previous 24 months. Or	1. If cardiology fellowship training was completed < 2 years prior to application for the privilege: Case log or hard copy report of at least 300 successfully mentored TTE interpretations during training OR 2. If cardiology fellowship training was completed 2 or more years prior to application for the privilege and the physician has been performing the procedure/interpretation: Case log or hard copy report of at least 300 TTE interpretations over the previous 24 months	FPPE: First 3 cases Case log of at least 300 TTE interpretations over the past 24 months In adult MLH echo laboratories that have achieved IAC accreditation, physicians who interpret more than 10 studies per year performed in that laboratory, are required to meet the minimum annual attendance requirements for IAC quality meetings.
Trans Esophageal Echocardiogram (TEE) *For Adult Cardiology Practitioners*	National Board of Echocardiography (NBE) certification in TTE 1. If cardiology fellowship training was completed < 2 years prior to application for the privilege: Either A letter from the fellowship program director or echocardiography lab director documenting satisfactory completion of COCATS level 2 echocardiography training during fellowship was obtained that also included at least 50 successfully mentored TEE's. Or National Board of Echocardiography (NBE) certification in TEE	I. If cardiology fellowship training was completed < 2 years prior to application for the privilege: Case log or hard copy report of 50 successfully mentored TEEs during training. OR 2. If cardiology fellowship training was completed 2 or more years prior to application for the privilege and the physician has been performing the	FPPE: First 3 cases OR 10 mentored studies at medical director discretion for those applying under special circumstance. For Adult Cardiology Practitioners: Case log documenting 25 procedures

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	OR 2. If cardiology fellowship training was completed 2 or more years prior to application for the privilege and the physician has been performing the procedure/interpretation: Either	procedure/interpretation: Case log or hard copy report of 50 TEEs within the previous 24 months. Special Circumstance Exemption: Initial applicants who recently completed 1 or 2 contiguous years of additional cardiology training beyond general cardiology fellowship are eligible for special circumstance	within the previous 24 months For Pediatric Cardiology Practitioners: Case log documenting 20 procedures within the previous 24 months.
	A letter from the facility's director of echocardiography attesting to the successful interpretation of at least 50 studies during the previous 24 months. OR A case log or hard copy reports of 50 TEE's within the previous 24 months prior to application	credentialing criteria: - Applicants must meet all criteria required for initial applicant whose general cardiology training was completed < 2 years prior to the time of applicationIf the applicant performed at least 50 TEE's during general cardiology fellowship, but cannot document 50 over the course of the last 3 years prior to their application, they are eligible for mentored TEE credentialing The medical director of the laboratory or their designee and the applicant will be responsible for documenting the mentored performance of at least 10 TEE prior to the granting of unrestricted TEE privileges. At the director's discretion, additional mentored studies may be required.	
Cardiac MR	1. If CMR training was completed < 2 years prior to application for privileges: A letter from the fellowship program director or MRI lab director documenting satisfactory completion of Level 2 or level 3 COCATS 4 cardiac MRI training is obtained. OR 2. If CMR training was completed 2 or more years prior to the time of application for privileges and the physician has been performing the procedure/interpretation at a facility outside the MLH system: A letter from the external facility's MRI laboratory director attesting to the successful interpretation of at least 30 CMR studies over the previous two years is obtained.	1. If CMR training was completed < 2 years prior to application for privileges: Case log or hard copy report documentation of at least 150 mentored CMR interpretations (mentor must have been a level 2 or 3 qualified CMR physician) and documentation of involvement in the performance of at least 50 CMR studies. OR 2. If CMR training was completed 2 or more years prior to the time of application for privileges: Case log or hard copy report documentation of interpretation of at least 30 CMR studies performed in the previous 24 months.	Case log of at least 30 CMR studies over the past 24 months. AND A minimum of 15 CME hours specific to cardiac MR every 2 years
Percutaneous Mitral Valve Device-based Repair	Maintain current clinical privileges in Interventional Cardiology AND For applicants who have MLH privileges as of 8/15/2018: EITHER Documentation of successful completion of a one year Structural	If applicant is experienced in percutaneous mitral valve device-based repair: Provide a case log of 6 cases performed in the past 12 months. OR Certificate validating successful completion of	FPPE: First 5 cases Case log of at least 12 cases of percutaneous mitral valve device-based repair in the past 24 months.
	Heart fellowship	percutaneous mitral valve device-based repair training program	



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Percutaneous Tricuspid Valve Device-based Repair	Letter from training director that percutaneous mitral valve device-based repair training was included in the Interventional Cardiology fellowship program OR If percutaneous mitral valve device-based repair training was not part of Interventional Cardiology fellowship program, then successful completion of an acceptable training program as evidenced by Certificate of Completion. For applicants who are granted MLH privileges after 8/15/2018: Documentation of successful completion of a one-year Structural Heart fellowship Maintain current clinical privileges in Interventional Cardiology AND For applicants who have MLH privileges as of 8/15/2018: EITHER Documentation of successful completion of a one-year Structural Heart fellowship OR Letter from training director that percutaneous tricuspid valve device-based repair training was included in the Interventional Cardiology fellowship program OR If percutaneous tricuspid valve device-based repair training was not part of Interventional Cardiology fellowship program, then successful completion of an acceptable training program as evidenced by Certificate of Completion. For applicants who are granted MLH privileges after 8/15/2018: Documentation of successful completion of a one-year Structural Heart fellowship	Five (5) successfully proctored cases as evidenced by proctor evaluation forms If applicant is experienced in percutaneous tricuspid valve device-based repair: Provide a case log of 3 cases performed in the past 12 months. OR Certificate validating successful completion of percutaneous tricuspid valve device-based repair training program AND Two (2) successfully proctored cases as evidenced by proctor evaluation forms	FPPE: First 2 cases Case log of at least 6 cases of percutaneous tricuspid valve device-based repair in the past 24 months.



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Structural Heart Core	Maintain current clinical privileges in Interventional Cardiology AND Documentation of successful completion of a one year Structural Heart fellowship	Case log of: 15 valvuloplasties -any combination of mitral, aortic, pulmonary and tricuspid, 15 percutaneous valve replacements – any combination of aortic, mitral, and tricuspid valves (specifically excluding pulmonary transcatheter valve replacement), 5 ASD, PFO, PDA, AVM or VSD closures OR documentation of successful completion of a Congenital heart fellowship	FPPE: Total of 5 cases to include: • First 2 valvuloplasties, • First 2 percutaneous valve replacements • First ASD, PFO, PDA, AAVM or VSD closure. Case log of 10 valvuloplasties and percutaneous valve replacements (any combination) within the previous 24 months
Chemical or electrical ablation for structural heart disease (Structural Heart Core only)	Maintain current clinical Structural Heart privileges	Case log of 10 chemical or electrical ablations for structural heart disease	FPPE: First 3 chemical or electrical ablations for structural heart disease Case log of 2 chemical or electrical ablations for structural heart disease within the previous 24 months
Paravalvular leak closure (Structural Heart Core only)	Maintain current clinical Structural Heart privileges	Case log of 5 paravalvular leak closures	FPPE: First 3 cases Case log of 5 paravalvular leak closures within the previous 24 months.
Carotid filter placement prior to TAVR procedure (Structural Heart Core only)	Maintain current clinical Advanced Aortic Trans Catheter Valve Placement privileges and Structural Heart privileges AND Validation of successful completion of training program as documented by a Certificate of Completion from Edwards LifeSciences or other carotid filter vendor.	Case log of 2 successful carotid filter placements OR 2 successfully proctored cases as evidenced by proctor evaluation forms	FPPE: First 2 cases Case log of 2 carotid filter placements within the previous 24 months.
Percutaneous Pulmonary valve replacement (Structural Heart Core only)	Maintain current clinical Structural Heart privileges	Case log of 5 successful percutaneous pulmonary valve replacements	FPPE: First 2 cases Case log of 5 percutaneous pulmonary valve replacements within the previous 24 months.

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Impella Percutaneous Cardiac Support System for Right Heart support (Structural Heart Core only)	Maintain current clinical Structural Heart privileges	Case log of 2 successful insertions of Impella for right heart support.	FPPE: First 2 cases Case log of 2 insertions of Impella for right heart support within the previous 24 months
Impella Percutaneous Cardiac Support System for Right Heart support (Structural Heart or Interventional Pediatric/Congenital Cardiology Core only) Pediatric	Maintain current clinical Structural Heart or Interventional Pediatric/Congenital Cardiology Core privileges	Case log of 2 proctored successful insertions of Impella for right heart support.	FPPE: First 2 cases Case log of 2 insertions of Impella for right heart support within the previous 24 months
Robotic Surgery (available only to Interventional Cardiologists having privileges for ages 13 years and above)	Applicants whose formal surgical training included robotic surgery: Training director letter validating competence in robotic surgery OR 2. Applicants without formal surgical training in robotic surgery: Training Certificate validating completion of a robotic surgery training course which included didactic and laboratory training	Applicants whose formal surgical training included robotic surgery: Case log from training reflecting applicant was primary surgeon OR If training logs are not available, privilege will be initially granted with a limit requiring five successful cases evidenced by retrospective review. OR 2. Applicants without formal surgical training in robotic surgery: Privilege initially granted with a limit requiring concurrent proctoring of five successfully completed cases.	FPPE: First 5 cases Case log documenting the performance of at least 10 procedures over the previous 24 months

Core Privileges

The core privileges in the following specialties include procedures outlined in lists and such other procedures that are extensions of the same techniques and skills.

Cardiology Core

Admit, evaluate, diagnose, treat and provide consultation to patients 13 and above presenting with diseases of the heart, lungs, and blood vessels. Manage complex cardiac conditions such as heart attacks, and life threatening abnormal heartbeat rhythms.

Pediatric Cardiology Core

Admit, evaluate, diagnose, treat and provide comprehensive care to newborns, infants, children and adolescents presenting with congenital or acquired cardiovascular disease and disorders of the heart and blood vessels.



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Access, stabilize and determine disposition of patients with emergency conditions consistent with the Medical Staff policy regarding emergency or consultative services.

Privileges include but are not limited to:

- Internal Medicine Core
- Cardioversion
- Insertion and management of pulmonary artery catheters
- Pericardiocentesis
- Holter monitor interpretation
- Arterial line placement
- Chest tube placement
- Infusion and management of (GP) glycoprotein iib/iiia inhibitor
- Intravenous thrombolytic therapy
- Loop Recorder Implantation
- EKG-treadmill stress test supervision and interpretation
- Tilt Table Testing
- Moderate Procedural Sedation (when criteria are met)

Access, stabilize and determine disposition of congenital heart patients with emergent conditions.

Privileges include but are not limited to:

- Pediatric Core
- Electrocardiography interpretation
- · Echocardiography interpretation
- · Cardioversion and transcutaneous cardiac pacing
- · Cardiac monitoring interpretation
- Exercise testing supervision and interpretation
- · Cardiac stress and autonomic (including tilt-table) testing
- Care of critically ill children with congenital and acquired cardiovascular disease in the special care units



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Additional Core Privileges:

The physician requesting an additional core privilege must meet the minimum criteria for the specialty core and demonstrate the appropriate post graduate training and/or demonstrate successful completion of an approved, recognized course when such exists, or other acceptable experience.

Invasive Cardiology Core

Privileges include but are not limited to:

- · Cardiology Core
- · Angiographic injections and interpretation
- · Cardiac catheterization Left and right heart catheterization
- Exercise right heart Cath
- Coronary and ventricular angiography
- Graft angiography
- Peripheral angiography
- Intra-aortic balloon pump insertion
- Pericardiocentesis
- Temporary Transvenous pacemaker insertion
- Myocardial biopsies

Invasive Pediatric/Congenital Cardiology Core

Privileges include but are not limited to:

- Pediatric Cardiology Core
- Pericardiocentesis
- Balloon atrioseptostomy
- Diagnostic heart catheterization including angiography
- Central venous line placement
- Myocardial biopsy
- Temporary pacing lead insertion and pacing
- Pulmonary angiography

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Interventional Cardiology Core

Admit, evaluate, treat and provide consultation to patients of all ages except as specifically excluded from practice with acute and chronic coronary artery disease, acute coronary syndromes and valvular heart disease, including but not limited to chronic ischemic heart disease, acute ischemic syndromes, and technical procedures and medications to treat abnormalities that impair the function of the heart. Care of patients in the cardiac care units, emergency department or other intensive care units.

The core privileges in this specialty include the procedures listed below and such other procedures that are extensions of the same techniques and skills.

- Cardiology Core
- Invasive Cardiology Core
- Angiojet thrombectomy
- Atherectomy (Rotablator and Directional Cutting) for coronary arteries or grafts.
- Brachytherapy
- EkoSonic System (EKOS)
- · Percusurg thrombectomy
- PTCA
- Stent implant
- Valvuloplasty
- IVUS (intravascular ultrasound)
- Impella® Percutaneous Cardiac Support System: Device is to be used in accordance with the following patient selection criteria:
 - · Elective use in high risk PCI cases
 - Emergent use in AMI, STEMI, viral myocarditis and cardiogenic shock patient
 - Chronic heart disease class III & IV

All cases will be retrospectively reviewed

Interventional Pediatric/Congenital Cardiology Core

Admit, evaluate, treat, and provide consultation to patients of all ages except as specifically excluded from practice with congenital and acquired heart disease, including the care of patients in cardiac care units, emergency departments, and other intensive care units.

The core privileges in this specialty include the procedures listed below and such other procedures that are extensions of the same techniques and skills including transcatheter and hybrid procedures.

- · Pediatric Cardiology Core
- Invasive Pediatric/Congenital Cardiology Core Privilege
- Device closure of intracardiac defects
- Balloon Valvuloplasty
- · Balloon angioplasty
- Endovascular stent implantation
- Percutaneous pulmonary valve implantation
- · Device closure of abnormal blood vessels
- Intracardiac echocardiography
- Impella® Percutaneous Cardiac Support System: Device is to be used in accordance with the following patient selection criteria:
 - Emergent use in viral myocarditis, post-transplant rejection, and cardiogenic shock patient
 - Chronic heart disease class III & IV

All cases will be retrospectively reviewed

Peripheral Interventional Procedures: Silverhawk Atherectomy Catheter, Spectranetics Turbo Catheter, and Diamondback Catheter, IVC Filter placement



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Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology Core

Admit, evaluate, treat and provide consultation to acute and chronically ill patients, with a variety of heart rhythm disorders; including but not limited to sinus node dysfunction, atrioventricular (AV) and intraventricular block, supraventricular and ventricular tachyarrhythmia; clinical conditions of unexplained syncope, aborted sudden cardiac death, palpitations, Wolff-Parkinson-White (WRW) syndrome, and long QT syndrome, care of patients in the cardiac care unit, emergency room, intensive care or other invasive settings; before and after an electrophysiological procedure; with temporary and permanent pacemakers; with postoperative arrhythmias and care of patients with ICDs

The core privileges in this specialty include the procedures listed below:

- Internal Medicine Core
- Cardiology Core
- Invasive Cardiology Core
- Signal average ECG
- Ablations, transcatheter radiofrequency (SVT, VT, AVN)
- AICD/PCD implantation
- Diagnostic electrophysiology studies
- Implantation of left ventricular leads
- ICE Intracardiac Echocardiography
- Intraoperative ICD testing
- Intraoperative mapping
- Permanent pacemaker insertion
- Tilt table testing
- Cryoablation
- Impella® Percutaneous Cardiac Support System: Device is to be used in accordance with the following patient selection criteria:
 - •Elective use in high-risk PCI cases
 - •Emergent use in viral myocarditis and cardiogenic shock patient
 - •Chronic heart disease class III & IV

All cases will be retrospectively reviewed

Clinical Pediatric/Congenital Cardiac Electrophysiology Core

Admit, evaluate, treat, and provide consultation to pediatric patients and congenital heart disease patients with heart rhythm disorders in the cardiac care unit, emergency room, intensive care or other invasive settings, before or after an electrophysiological procedure and care of patients with cardiovascular implantable electronic devices (CIEDs: permanent pacemakers, ICDs, ILRs, etc.).

The core privileges in this specialty include the procedures listed below:

- Pediatric Core
- Pediatric Cardiology Core
- Pediatric/Congenital Invasive Cardiology Core
- · Diagnostic electrophysiology studies, intracardiac and esophageal
- Transcatheter radiofrequency and Cryoablation
- · Intraoperative mapping
- CIED insertion, revision, and management
- Intraoperative mapping



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Adult Congenital Heart Disease Core

Admit, evaluate, diagnose, treat, and provide comprehensive care to adolescents and adults presenting with congenital or acquired cardiovascular disease and disorders of the heart and blood vessels.

Assess, stabilize, and determine disposition of congenital heart patients with emergency conditions.

Privileges include but are not limited to:

- Cardiology core or Pediatric Cardiology core
- Electrocardiography interpretation
- Echocardiography interpretation
- Cardioversion
- Care of critically ill patients with congenital and acquired heart disease in the special care units
- · Cardiac monitoring interpretation
- Exercise testing supervision and interpretation

Structural Heart Core

Admit, evaluate, diagnose, treat, and provide comprehensive care to adolescents and adults presenting with structural heart conditions.

Assess, stabilize, and determine disposition of structural heart patients with emergency conditions.

The core privileges in this specialty include the procedures listed below and such other procedures that are extensions of the same techniques and skills:

- Valvuloplasty (Mitral, aortic, pulmonary, and tricuspid)
- Percutaneous valve replacement aortic, mitral, tricuspid-excluding pulmonary transcatheter valve replacement.
- Transcaval access and closure
- Caval valve implantation
- · Use of ICE catheter
- ASD, PFO, PDA, AVM and VSD closures
- Pericardial interventions



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Special Privileges:

The physician requesting special privileges must meet the minimum criteria for the specialty core and demonstrate the appropriate post graduate training and/or demonstrate successful completion of an approved, recognized course when such exists, or other acceptable experience.

CCTA

Privilege includes all aspects of examination performance and interpretation.

Privileges are limited to adult hospitals.

This includes but is not limited to:

- scanning parameters
- · reconstructed images
- · beta blocker administration
- · nitroglycerine administration
- · contrast reaction treatment

Nuclear Cardiology

Nuclear cardiology involves evaluation and diagnosis of acutely and chronically ill patients presenting with confirmed or suspected cardiovascular disease. Criteria stated below are specific to cardiologists practicing in adult hospitals and for adult patients. Nuclear cardiology privileges are to supervise and interpret cardiac nuclear studies on patients with confirmed or suspected cardiovascular disease.

Procedures include:

- · SPECT with technetium agents and thallium
- · Planar with technetium agents and thallium
- ECG gating of perfusion images for assessment of global and regional ventricular function (imaging protocols and stress protocols)
- Viability assessment, including reinjection and delayed imaging of thallium and metabolic imaging where available

Moderate Sedation Administration

See Credentialing Policy for Sedation and Analgesia by Non-Anesthesiologists.

Requires: Separate DOP, ACLS, NRP or PALS certification

Carotid Stents

Requires Separate DOP, ACLS, NRP or PALS certification

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Cardiology Clinical Privileges

Check below the particular privileges desired in Cardiology for each facility:

Please check (✓) applicable age categories for each privilege requested.

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Privilege Description		Branch Hospital (MHOBH)			
	North, South				
	Neonates (0-28 days)	Infants (29 days– 2 Years)	Children & Adolescents (2-18 years)	Adults & Adolescents (13 & Above)	Adults & Adolescents (13 & Above)
Cardiology Core		2 100.00	(2 30) (3.10)	(**************************************	
Pediatric Cardiology Core					
Invasive Cardiology Core					
Invasive Pediatric/Congenital Cardiology Core					
Interventional Cardiology Core					
Interventional Pediatric/Congenital Cardiology Core					
Peripheral Interventional Procedures					
Adult Congenital Heart Disease Core					
Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology Core					
Clinical Pediatric/Congenital Cardiac Electrophysiology Core					
Structural Heart Core					
Special Privileges					
AF Ablations (CCEP Core only)					
ССТА					
Laser Lead Extraction (CCEP Core only)					
Leadless Pacemaker					
Nuclear Cardiology					



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privilege is not available for new applicants					
Privilege Description	Methodist Healthcare – Memphis Hospitals (MHMH) Germantown, Le Bonheur Medical Center, North, South & University, Outpatient Clinics & Diagnostic Facilities				Methodist Healthcare – Olive Branch Hospital (MHOBH)
Special Privileges (continued)	Neonates (0-28 days)	Infants (29 days– 2 Years)	Children & Adolescents (2-18 years)	Adults & Adolescents (13 & Above)	Adults & Adolescents (13 & Above)
Stress Echo (Dobutamine and Treadmill)			(= 10) (11)	(10 0.11 0 10)	
For Adult Cardiology Practitioners	_				
TEE *For Adult Cardiology Practitioners*					
Trans Thoracic Echocardiogram (TTE) *For Adult Cardiology Practitioners*	_				
Cardiac MR					
Left Atrial Appendage Closure (LAAC) Device Placement (Watchman, Amplatzer Amulet)					
Percutaneous Mitral Valve Device-based Repair					
Percutaneous Tricuspid Valve Device-based Repair					
Chemical or electrical ablation for structural heart disease (Structural Heart Core only)					
Paravalvular leak closure (Structural Heart Core only)					
Carotid filter placement prior to TAVR procedure (Structural Heart Core only)					
Percutaneous Pulmonary valve replacement (Structural Heart Core only)					
Impella Percutaneous Cardiac Support System for Right Heart support (Structural Heart Core only)					
Impella Percutaneous Cardiac Support System for					
Right Heart support (Structural or Interventional					
Pediatric/Congenital Cardiology Core privileges only) Pediatric					
Robotic surgery – available only to Interventional					
Cardiologists having privileges for ages 13 years and					
above					
Limitations	Clinical privile	ges are granted only	to the extent privilege	es are available at eac	ch facility.
Darkly shaded areas represent privilege					

Note: Privileges for administration of moderate sedation and carotid stent placement require completion of a separate Delineation of Privilege form.



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Acknowledgement of practitioner

I have requested only those privileges for which by education, training, current experience and demonstrated performance I am qualified to perform and for which I wish to exercise at the facilities indicated above, to the extent services are available at each facility, and I understand that:

- (a) In exercising any clinical privileges granted, I am constrained by facility and medical staff policies and rules applicable generally and any applicable to the particular situation
- (b) Any restriction on the clinical privileges granted to me is waived in an emergency situation and in such situation my actions are governed by the applicable section of the medical staff bylaws or related documents

Physician's Signature	Date	
Printed Name		