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Title: Unattached Patients Requiring Primary Care Follow Up

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POLICY:

1. Address the need for unassigned patients that are discharged from the Emergency Department and the Hospitalist Service at SJRMC-Plymouth to receive follow up care.

PROCEDURE:

- A. Equal rotation of all Family Medicine and Internal Medicine Active Staff Physicians within Saint Joseph Physician Network as well as independent providers within the Bourbon, Bremen, Culver and Plymouth geographic zip code. (see attached).
- B. Unassigned patients discharged from the Emergency Department and the Hospitalist Service at SJRMC Plymouth requiring follow up care will be assigned to a primary care physician specific to their geographic zip code. Those patients outside of the Bourbon, Bremen, Culver and Plymouth zip code will be assigned to the physician closest to them.
- C. Unassigned pediatric patients requiring follow up care will be assigned to Marshall County Pediatrics.
- D. A document is signed by the patient stating that the practitioner will provide treatment solely for the problem(s) related to that episode of care only.

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Name	Specialty	Age	Staff Status
Pediatrics			
Bardwell, Susan A., MD	Pediatrics	47	Leave of Absence Active
Batra, Neha, MD	Pediatrics	32	Active
Bourbon - 46504			
Rogers, Chester L., M.D.	Family Medicine	57	Affiliate
Bremen - 46506			
Buck, Gregory E., M.D.	Family Medicine	47	Courtesy Staff
Culver - 46511			
Deery, Michael F., M.D.	Family Medicine	71	Active
Reiss, Warren K., M.D.	Family Medicine	62	Active
Plymouth - 46563			
Binfet, Joseph P., MD	Family Medicine	31	Active
Holm, Byron M., M.D.	Family Medicine	64	Active
Kubley, Rod S., M.D.	Family Medicine	53	Active
Miller, Craig B., M.D.	Family Medicine	40	Active
Patel, Viraj S., M.D.	Family Medicine	36	Affiliate
Peters, Timothy A., M.D.	Internal Medicine	44	Active
Schumacher, Joel, M.D.	Family Medicine	46	Active
Stillson, Tod A., M.D.	Family Medicine	46	Active

By laws -2.B.2 (d) - Courtesy Staff members are excused from emergency c all and the care of unassigned patients unless the MEC finds that there are insufficient Active Staff members in a particular specialty area to perform these responsibilities.

By laws -2.E.1(b) – Affiliate Staff members requesting appointment to the Affiliate Staff must submit an application as prescribed by the Credentials Policy. They shall not, however, be required to satisfy the qualifications set forth in Section 2.A.1(b)(c)(i)(j)(k)(l) and (m) of the Credentials Policy.

Credentials Policy – 2.A.1 (i) – agree to fulfill all responsibilities regarding emergency call.

Bylaws – 2.A.3 – Members of the Active Staff who are at least 60 years of age may request removal from emergency call and other rotational obligations, including monitoring initial appointees. The MEC shall recommend whether to grant these request based on need and the effect on others who serve on the call roster for that specialty. The MEC's recommendation shall be subject to final action by the Board.