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## Title: CARDIOTHORACIC AND GENERAL THORACIC PRIVILEGE CRITERIA

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## **PROCEDURE:**

- A. Basic Education: M.D. or D.O.
- B. American Board of Surgery Certificate for Vascular Surgery
- C. Those in individuals wishing to apply for vascular surgery privileges who do not meet Criteria 1 (American Board of Surgery Certificate for vascular surgery) above will be considered on an individual basis only after meeting the following two criteria:
  - 1) Demonstrate having successfully personally performed a minimum of 100 major reconstructive vascular procedures and having assumed primary responsibility for the pre and postoperative care **and**
  - 2) Present a letter from the residency program director attesting to the applicant's competence to function independently as a vascular surgeon. If the applicant has previously been in private practice, he/she is to provide, in addition, a letter from an established peripheral vascular surgeon, located in the candidate's prior practice setting, attesting of his/her vascular competence.
- D. Recognizing that individual vascular procedures may come under the aegis of several specialities in surgery, privileges may be granted in specific situations for the performance of these individual procedures. Physicians wishing to apply for privileges under this section will be considered after meeting the following two criteria:
  - 1) Demonstrated having successfully personally performed a minimum of 25 such procedures assumed primary responsibility for the patients' pre and postoperative care **and**
  - 2) Present a letter form the residency program director attesting to the applicant's competence to independently performs the applied for procedure. If the applicant has previously been in private practice, he/she is to provide, in addition, a letter from an established vascular surgeon located in the candidate's prior practice setting attesting to his/her surgical competency to care for patient undergoing the applied for procedure.

## **PROCTORING:**

- 1. The **first** case will be live proctored in each fo the following areas:
  - A. Carotid
  - B. Aortic and
  - C. Peripheral vascular reconstruction.
- 2. Proctoring may be conducted by other members of the Surgery department, and may be waived at the discretion of the MCC.