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Revisions and Deletions Related to the Standards Simplification Project

Office-Based Surgery (OBS) Accreditation Program

Environment of Care (EC) Chapter

EC.02.05.01

Current Requirement Text:

The practice manages risks associated with its utility systems.

EC.02.05.01 EP: 13

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Deleted

The practice responds to utility system disruptions as described in its procedures.

EC.02.05.05

Current Requirement Text:

The practice inspects, tests, and maintains utility systems. Note: At times, maintenance is performed by an external service. In these cases, practices are not required to possess maintenance documentation but must have access to such documentation during survey and as needed.

EC.02.05.05 EP: 1 EC.02.05.05 EP: 2

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated New EP Text:

The practice tests utility system components before initial use. The completion date of the tests is documented.

The practice inspects, tests, and maintains its utility systems. This includes testing before initial use. These activities are documented.

EC.02.05.05 EP: 2

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

The practice inspects, tests, and maintains the following: Utility systems. These activities are documented.

EC.02.05.05

New EP Text:

The practice inspects, tests, and maintains its utility systems. This includes testing before initial use. These activities are documented.

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EC.02.06.01

Current Requirement Text:

The practice establishes and maintains a safe, functional environment.

EC.02.06.01 EP: 1

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

Interior spaces meet the needs of the patient population and are safe and suitable to the care, treatment, or services provided.

EC.02.06.01

New EP Text:

Interior spaces meet the needs of the patient population and are safe and suitable for the care, treatment, or services provided.

Note: This includes but is not limited to adequate lighting, ventilation, temperature, and humidity levels.

EC.02.06.01 EP: 11

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

Lighting is suitable for care, treatment, or services.

EC.02.06.01

New EP Text:

Interior spaces meet the needs of the patient population and are safe and suitable for the care, treatment, or services provided.

Note: This includes but is not limited to adequate lighting, ventilation, temperature, and humidity levels.

EC.02.06.01 EP: 13

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

The practice maintains ventilation, temperature, and humidity levels suitable for the care, treatment, or services provided.

EC.02.06.01

New EP Text:

Interior spaces meet the needs of the patient population and are safe and suitable for the care, treatment, or services provided.

Note: This includes but is not limited to adequate lighting, ventilation, temperature, and humidity levels.

EC.02.06.01 EP: 21

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Deleted

The practice cleans procedure and recovery areas after each use with proper equipment and cleaning solutions.

EC.04.01.01

Current Requirement Text:

The practice collects information to monitor conditions in the environment.

EC.04.01.01 EP: 1 EC.04.01.01 EP: 1

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated New EP Text:

The practice establishes a process(es) for internally reporting and investigating

The practice develops and implements a process(es) for internally reporting and

occupational illnesses and staff injuries. investigating occupational illnesses and staff injuries.

EC.04.01.01 EP: 4 EC.04.01.01 EP: 1

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated New EP Text:

Based on its process(es), the practice reports and investigates the following:

The practice develops and implements a process(es) for internally reporting and

Occupational illnesses and staff injuries. investigating occupational illnesses and staff injuries.

Information Management (IM) Chapter

IM.02.01.03

Current Requirement Text:

The practice maintains the security and integrity of health information.

IM.02.01.03 EP: 2

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

The practice implements a written policy addressing the following:

- The integrity of health information against loss, damage, unauthorized alteration, unintentional change, and accidental destruction
- The intentional destruction of health information
- When and by whom the removal of health information is permitted Note: Removal refers to those actions that place health information outside the practice's control.

IM.02.01.03 EP: 6

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

The practice protects health information against loss, damage, unauthorized alteration, unintentional change, and accidental destruction.

IM.02.01.03 EP: 7

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

The practice controls the intentional destruction of health information.

IM.02.01.03

New EP Text:

The practice develops and implements a written policy addressing the following:

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- The integrity of health information against loss, damage, unauthorized alteration, unintentional change, and accidental destruction
- The intentional destruction of health information
- When and by whom the removal of health information is permitted

Note: Removal refers to those actions that place health information outside the practice's control.

IM.02.01.03 EP: 2

New EP Text:

The practice develops and implements a written policy addressing the following:

- The integrity of health information against loss, damage, unauthorized alteration, unintentional change, and accidental destruction
- The intentional destruction of health information
- When and by whom the removal of health information is permitted Note: Removal refers to those actions that place health information outside the practice's control.

IM.02.01.03 EP: 2

New EP Text:

The practice develops and implements a written policy addressing the following:

- The integrity of health information against loss, damage, unauthorized alteration, unintentional change, and accidental destruction
- The intentional destruction of health information
- When and by whom the removal of health information is permitted Note: Removal refers to those actions that place health information outside the practice's control.

IM.02.02.01

Current Requirement Text:

The practice effectively manages the collection of health information.

IM.02.02.01 EP: 2

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Deleted

The practice uses standardized terminology, definitions, abbreviations, acronyms, symbols, and dose designations.

Leadership (LD) Chapter

LD.02.01.01

Current Requirement Text:

The mission, vision, and goals of the practice support the safety and quality of care, treatment, or services.

LD.02.01.01 EP: 1

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

Leaders work together to create the practice's mission, vision, and goals.

LD.02.01.01 EP: 2

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

The practice's mission, vision, and goals guide the actions of leaders.

LD.02.01.01 EP: 3

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

Leaders communicate the mission, vision, and goals to staff and the population(s) the practice serves.

LD.02.01.01

New EP Text:

Leaders work together to create the practice's mission, vision, and goals, which guide the leaders' actions and are communicated to staff and the population(s) the practice serves.

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LD.02.01.01 EP: 1

New EP Text:

Leaders work together to create the practice's mission, vision, and goals, which guide the leaders' actions and are communicated to staff and the population(s) the practice serves.

LD.02.01.01 EP: 1

New EP Text:

Leaders work together to create the practice's mission, vision, and goals, which guide the leaders' actions and are communicated to staff and the population(s) the practice serves.

LD.03.06.01

Current Requirement Text:

Those who work in the practice are focused on improving safety and quality.

LD.03.06.01 EP: 4

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Deleted

Leaders evaluate the effectiveness of those who work in the practice to promote safety and quality.

LD.04.02.01

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Current Requirement Text: Revision Type: Revised

The leaders address any conflict of interest involving licensed independent practitioners and/or staff that affects or has the potential to affect the safety or quality of care, treatment, or services.

LD.04.02.01

New Requirement Text:

The leaders address any conflict of interest that affects or has the potential to affect the safety or quality of care, treatment, or services.

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Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

The leaders follow a written policy that defines situations that represent a conflict of interest involving licensed independent practitioners and/or staff and how the practice will address these conflicts of interest.

LD.04.02.01 **New EP Text:**

New EP Text:

The leaders follow a written policy that defines situations that represent a conflict of interest, the need to disclose the conflicts, and how the practice will address these

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conflicts of interest.

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

Existing or potential conflicts of interest involving licensed independent practitioners and/or staff, as defined by the practice, are disclosed.

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LD.04.02.01

The leaders follow a written policy that defines situations that represent a conflict of interest, the need to disclose the conflicts, and how the practice will address these conflicts of interest.

Medication Management (MM) Chapter

MM.03.01.05

Current Requirement Text:

Revision Type: Revised

The practice safely controls medications brought into the practice by patients, their families, or licensed independent practitioners.

MM.03.01.05 EP: 1

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

The practice defines when medications brought into the practice by patients, their families, or licensed independent practitioners can be administered.

Note: This element of performance is also applicable to sample medications.

MM.03.01.05 EP: 2

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

Before use or administration of a medication brought into the practice by a patient, their family, or a licensed independent practitioner, the practice identifies the medication and visually evaluates the medication's integrity.

Note: This element of performance is also applicable to sample medications. (See also MM.06.01.01. EP 3)

MM.05.01.07

Current Requirement Text:

The practice safely prepares medications.

Note: This standard is applicable to all practices that prepare medications for administration.

MM.05.01.07 EP: 4

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Revised

The practice uses a laminar airflow hood or other ISO Class 5 environment in the pharmacy for preparing intravenous (IV) admixture or any sterile product that will not be used within 24 hours.

MM.03.01.05

New Requirement Text:

The practice safely controls medications brought into the practice by patients, their families, or licensed practitioners.

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MM.03.01.05

New EP Text:

Before use or administration of a medication brought into the practice by a patient, their family, or a licensed practitioner, the practice identifies the medication, visually evaluates the medication's integrity and determines whether it can be administered. Note: This element of performance is also applicable to sample medications. (See also MM.06.01.01, EP 3)

MM.03.01.05 EP: 2

New EP Text:

Before use or administration of a medication brought into the practice by a patient, their family, or a licensed practitioner, the practice identifies the medication, visually evaluates the medication's integrity and determines whether it can be administered. Note: This element of performance is also applicable to sample medications. (See also MM.06.01.01, EP 3)

MM.05.01.07 EP: 4

New EP Text:

The practice uses a laminar airflow hood or other ISO Class 5 environment in the pharmacy for preparing intravenous (IV) admixture or any sterile product that will not be used within 4 hours.

MM.05.01.09

Current Requirement Text:

Medications are labeled.

Note: This standard is applicable to all practices that prepare and administer

medications.

MM.05.01.09 EP: 2

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Deleted

Information on medication labels is displayed in a standardized format, in accordance with law and regulation and standards of practice.

Note: This element of performance is also applicable to sample medications.

MM.05.01.09 EP: 10

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Deleted

When an individualized medication(s) is prepared by someone other than the person administering the medication, the label includes the following:

- The patient's name
- Directions for use and applicable accessory and cautionary instructions

MM.08.01.01

Current Requirement Text:

The practice evaluates the effectiveness of its medication management system. Note: This evaluation includes reconciling medication information. (Refer to NPSG.03.06.01 for more information)

MM.08.01.01 **EP**: 5

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Deleted

Based on analysis of its data, as well as review of the literature for new technologies and best practices, the practice identifies opportunities for improvement in its medication management system.

MM.08.01.01 EP: 6

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

When opportunities are identified for improvement of the medication management system, the practice does the following:

- Takes action on improvement opportunities identified as priorities for its medication management system
- Evaluates its actions to confirm that they resulted in improvements Note: This element of performance is also applicable to sample medications. (See also PI.04.01.01, EP 2)

MM.08.01.01 EP: 6

New EP Text:

When opportunities are identified for improvement of the medication management system, the practice does the following:

- Takes action on improvement opportunities identified as priorities for its medication management system
- Evaluates its actions to confirm that they resulted in improvements
- Takes additional action when planned improvements for its medication management processes are either not achieved or not sustained Note: This element of performance is also applicable to sample medications. (See also PI.04.01.01, EP 2)

MM.08.01.01 EP: 8

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

The practice takes additional action when planned improvements for its medication management processes are either not achieved or not sustained.

MM.08.01.01

New EP Text:

When opportunities are identified for improvement of the medication management system, the practice does the following:

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- Takes action on improvement opportunities identified as priorities for its medication management system
- Evaluates its actions to confirm that they resulted in improvements
- Takes additional action when planned improvements for its medication management processes are either not achieved or not sustained Note: This element of performance is also applicable to sample medications. (See also PI.04.01.01, EP 2)

Provision of Care, Treatment, and Services (PC) Chapter

PC.02.03.01

Current Requirement Text:

The practice provides patient education and training based on each patient's needs and abilities.

PC.02.03.01 EP: 26

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Deleted The practice uses family or community resources to help in education,

PC.02.03.01 EP: 27

comprehension, and use of information, as needed.

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Deleted

The practice provides the patient education on how to communicate concerns about patient safety issues that occur before, during, and after care is received.

New EP Text:

New EP Text:

Record of Care, Treatment, and Services (RC) Chapter

RC.01.03.01

Current Requirement Text:

Documentation in the clinical record is entered in a timely manner.

RC.01.03.01 EP: 1

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

The practice defines the time frame for completion of the clinical record.

RC.01.03.01 EP: 1

The practice follows its written policy requiring entry of information into the patient's clinical record within a time frame defined by the practice.

RC.01.03.01 EP: 2 RC.01.03.01 EP: 1

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Consolidated

The practice follows its policy requiring timely entry of information into the patient's clinical record.

The practice follows its written policy requiring entry of information into the patient's clinical record within a time frame defined by the practice.

RC.02.03.07

Current Requirement Text:

Qualified staff receive and record verbal orders.

RC.02.03.07 EP: 2

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Deleted

Only authorized staff receive and record verbal orders.

Rights and Responsibilities of the Individual (RI) Chapter

RI.01.04.01

Current Requirement Text:

The practice respects the patient's right to receive information about the individual(s) responsible for, as well as those providing, the patient's care, treatment, or services.

RI.01.04.01 EP: 5

Current EP Text: Revision Type: Deleted

At the time of initial consultation and before any surgical procedure or service is performed, the patient is provided with disclosure information about the licensed independent practitioner's licensure and relevant education, training, and experience related to performing the planned procedure.

Note: This information can be provided to the patient in any format the practice chooses.