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SUBJ: CREDENTIALING, PRIVILEGING, AND PEER REVIEW DURING EXTERNAL ACCREDITATION SURVEYS

A. ACCREDITATION ASSOCIATION FOR AMBULATORY HEALTHCARE (AAAHC) MANUAL

B. MEDICAL MANUAL, COMDTINST M6000.1 (SERIES)

1. THIS NOTICE CLARIFIES HEALTHCARE CLINIC AND PROVIDER GUIDANCE TO ADDRESS CREDENTIALING, PRIVILEGING, AND PEER REVIEW STANDARDS IN REF (A) DURING EXTERNAL ACCREDITATION SURVEYS.
2. HEALTHCARE PROVIDER CREDENTIALING, PRIVILEGING, AND PEER REVIEW ACTIVITIES ARE COMPLETED CENTRALLY AT COMDT (CG-11) WITH INPUT FROM CLINICS AND PROVIDERS AS PER REF (B).
3. CLINIC ADMINISTRATORS ARE PROVIDED VIEWING ACCESS TO THE CENTRALIZED CREDENTIALING QUALITY ASSURANCE SYSTEM (CCQAS) TO ACCOMMODATE EXTERNAL ACCREDITATION SURVEY TEAM REQUIREMENTS TO VERIFY PROVIDER CREDENTIALS AND PRIVILEGES GRANTED.
4. PEER REVIEW INFORMATION IS PROTECTED INFORMATION WITHIN THE COAST GUARD HEALTHCARE QUALITY SYSTEM AS OUTLINED IN REF (A) AND LEGISLATED IN THE MEDICAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CONFIDENTIALITY STATUTE 14 USC 645.
5. RESULTS FROM PEER REVIEW ARE UTILIZED IN THE PRIVILEGING PROCESS AND MAY ALSO BE UTILIZED IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT ACTIVITIES AS AUTHORIZED BY COMDT (CG-11).
6. AAAHC SURVEY TEAMS SHALL BE PROVIDED THIS GUIDANCE IF REQUESTING PEER REVIEW INFORMATION OR ANY CREDENTIALING AND PRIVILEGING INFORMATION BEYOND THAT FOUND IN CCQAS.
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8. RELEASE BY CAPT MAURA DOLLYMORE, CHIEF, OFFICE OF HEALTH SERVICES.
9. INTERNET RELEASE AUTHORIZED.

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