



AMBULATORY SURGICAL FACILITY STATE LICENSURE CHECKLIST

MEDICAL STAFF

The ambulatory surgical facility licensing regulations (the “Licensing Regulations”) require development of a medical staff structure, consistent with clinical competence, to ensure a safe patient care environment.¹ An ambulatory surgical facility (“ASF”) medical staff must:

- Be accountable to the governing body;
- Adopt bylaws, rules, regulations, and organizational structure including an appointment and reappointment process;
- Be legally and professionally qualified for the positions to which they are appointed and for the performance of privileges in accordance with recommendations from qualified medical personnel;
- Periodically review and reappraise medical staff privileges using peer review data;
- Periodically review and amend the scope of procedures performed in the ASF;
- If the ASF assigns patient care responsibilities to practitioners other than physicians, have established policies and procedures, approved by the governing body, for overseeing and evaluating their clinical activities; and
- Report practitioners for discipline of unprofessional conduct in accordance with state law².

¹ See WAC 246-330-145.

² See RCW 70.230.120.

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