

**TEXAS SPINE & JOINT HOSPITAL
NEUROLOGICAL SURGERY CLINICAL PRIVILEGES**

NAME: _____
 Initial appointment
 Reappointment

All new applicants must meet the following requirements as approved by the governing body.

To be eligible to apply for core privileges in neurological surgery, the initial applicant must meet the following criteria:
 Successful completion of ACGME or American Osteopathic Association accredited residency in neurological surgery.

Required previous experience: Applicants for initial appointment must be able to demonstrate the performance of at least 50 neurological surgical procedures, reflective of the scope of privileges requested, during the last 12 months or demonstrate successful completion of residency or fellowship within the past 12 months.

Reappointment requirements: To be eligible to renew core privileges in Neurological Surgery, the applicant must meet the following maintenance of privilege criteria:

Current demonstrated competence and an adequate volume of neurological surgery procedures with acceptable results, reflective of the scope of privileges requested, for the past 24 months based on results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes. Evidence of current ability to perform privileges requested is required of all applicants for renewal of privileges

NEUROLOGICAL SURGERY CORE PRIVILEGES

Requested Admit, evaluate, diagnose, consult and provide nonoperative and pre-, intran, and postoperative care to patients of all ages presenting with injuries or disorders of the central, peripheral and autonomic nervous system, including their supporting structures and vascular supply; the evaluation and treatment of pathological processes that modify function or activity of the nervous system, including the hypophysis; and the operative and nonoperative management of pain. These privileges include but are not limited to care of patients with disorders of the nervous system-the brain, meninges, skull, and their blood supply, including the extra cranial carotid and vertebral arteries; disorders of the pituitary gland; disorders of the spinal cord, meninges, and vertebral column; and disorders of the cranial and spinal nerves throughout their distribution. The core privileges in this specialty include the procedures on the attached procedure list and such other procedures that are extensions of the same techniques and skills.

REQUESTED	PRIVILEGE	APPROVED	DENIED
	Cordotomy, rhizotomy and dorsal column stimulators for the relief of pain		
	External Lumbar Drain		
	Insertion of subarachnoid or epidural catheter with reservoir or pump for drug infusion or CSF withdrawal		
	Laminectomies, laminotomies, and fixation and reconstructive procedures of the spine and its contents including instrumentation		
	Lumbar puncture, cisternal puncture		
	Muscle biopsy		
	Nerve biopsy		
	Ordering of diagnostic studies and procedures related to neurological problems or disorders		
	Peripheral nerve procedures, including decompressive procedures and reconstructive procedures on the peripheral nerves		
	Perform history and physical exam		
	Shunts: lumbar subarachnoid/peritoneal		

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	Spinal cord surgery for decompression of spinal cord or spinal canal, for intramedullary lesion, intradural extramedullary lesion, rhizotomy, cardotomy, dorsal root entry zone lesion, tethered spinal cord or congenital anomalies (diastematomyelia)		
	Stereotactic surgery		
	Surgery for intervertebral discs disease		
	Surgery on sympathetic nervous system		
	Use of Radiation Machine ** (see blow)		

**** 8 hours Category 1, CME in radiation safety and operation of fluoro systems and 1 hour fluoro machine training by a radiologist or licensed medical physicist. Attached certification to this request.**

Acknowledgement of Practitioner

I am qualified to perform the privileges I have requested based on my licensure, education, training, experience and current competence. I certify that I am able to perform the privileges I have requested.

Practitioner's Signature

Date