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1.0 POLICY

It is the policy of the CRC to identify and reduce the risk of acquiring and transmitting infectious diseases. This shall be accomplished through an organization-wide process coordinated by the Infection Control Practitioner.

2.0 BACKGROUND/QUALIFICATIONS

The Infection Control Practitioner shall have the following qualifications:

- a degree, certification or license in epidemiology, medicine, medical technology, microbiology, nursing, or another health-related discipline;
- willingness to obtain membership in appropriate professional organizations and to participate in professional development and continuing education seminars and workshops; and an understanding of Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organization (JCAHO) for Ambulatory Care Facilities polices and required procedures.

3.0 REPORTING STRUCTURE

The Infection Control Practitioner shall report directly to the CRC Manager.

4.0 INFECTION CONTROL PRACTITIONER RESPONSIBILITIES

- 4.1 Performing surveillance of the clinical facilities.
- 4.2 Reporting infection control issues to the appropriate PI and CRC manager
- 4.3 Participating in continuing education courses to keep current on infection control practices and guidelines.
- 4.4 Conducting in-service training sessions for clinical staff.
- 4.5 Maintaining and updating the Infection Control Policies and Procedures Manual.

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