

Summary of 2022 Medical Staff Bylaws Proposed Changes

These changes have been proposed by the Administrative Affairs Committee and approved by county council (with only some grammatical changes) and the Medical Executive Committee. The next step is to present the proposed changes to the medical staff at large, who are asked to vote YAY or NAY on each proposed change. This will determine if the changes take effect or not. Each section is listed with old language (if applicable) followed by the new proposed language –you are voting as to whether the NEW language should be adopted.

1. **Section 4.6.** Prerogatives for Allied Health Professionals

Old:

The prerogatives, which may be extended to an AHP, include:

1. Provision of specified patient care services consistent with the Service Authorization granted to the AHP and within the scope and licensure or certification of that AHP.
2. Service on Medical Staff and Hospital committees except as otherwise provided in the Bylaws. An AHP may not serve as chair of a Medical Staff committee.
3. Attendance at meetings of the department to which he or she is assigned. An AHP may not vote at department/division meetings.

New:

The prerogatives, which may be extended to an AHP, include:

1. Provision of specified patient care services consistent with the Service Authorization granted to the AHP and within the scope and licensure or certification of that AHP.
2. Vote on matters presented at his/her department, and/or committees to which he/she is a member. Serve on Medical Staff and Hospital committees except as otherwise provided in the Bylaws
3. Attend any staff or hospital education programs.
4. Vote for department chair for the department to which he/she is a member.

Why? To include AHP staff to have equal voting rights on department and committees they belong to, including voting for their department chair.

2. **Article 8.1.1:** Updated the current Divisions in the Family and Adult Medicine Department

3. **Section 9.3 Committees:** 2 committees that have been dissolved are removed from the bylaws. In the description of many of the committees, the term "Physician" was removed from chairperson in the composition of members of the committees to be more inclusive (unless specified for committees that must have a physician chairperson).