

**Louisiana Medical Center and Heart Hospital
Medicine Department
Cardiology**

Core Privilege Request Form

Having reviewed the requirements for each set of privileges in the following pages, I would request the following privileges:

*Place a check mark in the appropriate box for each set of privileges. Please **cross** out any procedures that you will not be performing at this facility. All privileges will have a focused period of monitoring and if any privileges requested are not performed in this facility within the first 12 months, those privileges will not be renewed. If you perform privileges which are not listed, please write them in, send in documentation that you have been trained on the procedure as well as how many you of the procedures have been done and where they were performed at.*

Privilege	Procedures	Requested	Not Requested
CORE I PRIVILEGES - Cardiology			
	<p>– Includes being able to admit, evaluate, workup, diagnose, order and manage restraints and provide treatment or consultative services to adult patients presenting with cardiovascular disease. Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ History and Physical Examination ▪ Cardioversion ▪ Exercise Treadmill Testing ▪ Echocardiography ▪ Pericardiocentesis ▪ Temporary Transvenous Pacemaker Insertion ▪ Peripheral Arterial and Coronary Catheterization ▪ Echocardiography ▪ Swan Ganz catheter insertion ▪ Monitoring and Central venous Catherization ▪ Use of external pacemakers and defibrillators 		

CORE II PRIVILEGES - Electrophysiology			
	-Insertion of venous and arterial catheters -Intracardiac and Intraoperative mapping techniques -Operation of fluoroscopy, recording equipment and programmable stimulators -Use of external pacemakers and defibrillators		
NON-CORE PRIVILEGES-<u>all requests for the below privileges must provide number of each procedure performed within the last 6 months</u>			
	Coronary Atherectomy		
	Percutaneous Transluminal Coronary Angioplasty		
	Endomyocardial Biopsy		
	Transesophageal Echocardiography		
	Coronary Stent Placement		
	Coronary Arteriography/Left Heart Catheterization (Excluding Trans-Septal Catheterization)		
	Catheter Ablation		
	Permanent Pacemaker Insertion		
	ICD Insertion/EP Analysis		
	Reading of Nuclear Stress Studies		
	Carotid Stent Placement		
	Cardiac CT Angiography Interpretation		
	MODERATE SEDATION -must have current ACLS		
If Moderate Sedation is requested, please indicate the number of times performed within the last two years _____			

I attest by signature that I have met the minimum criteria of procedures/diagnoses management within my clinical practice for the procedures requested above, and I agree to provide documentation of said procedures/diagnoses management if requested.

_____ Applicant Signature _____ Date
 ___ Yes ___ No _____ Signature _____ Date
 _____ Department Chair

**Louisiana Medical Center and Heart Hospital
Peripheral Vascular Diagnostic & Interventional Procedures**

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Having reviewed the requirements for each set of privileges in the following pages, I would request the following privileges:

Place a check mark in the appropriate box for each set of privileges. Cross out any procedures not currently performed in your clinical practice.

All requests for the below privileges must provide number of each procedure performed within the last 6 months

Privilege	Procedures	Requested	Not Requested
CORE I - Peripheral Vascular			
	-PTA, Stents, Atherectomy, Catheter Thrombectomy in lower extremities and brachiocephalic vessels		
CORE II – Peripheral Intervention			
	-Visceral segments (renal arteries and mesenteric vessels) -Thrombolytic therapy including catheter-directed thrombectomy -Coil embolization -Caval filter placement		
CORE III a – Diagnostic Neurovascular & Extra-cranial Carotid Angiography & Endovascular Interventions			
	-CNS Diagnostic -Extracranial Carotid Diagnostic		
CORE IV – Endograft Section			
	-Vascular Endografts		
Peripheral Vascular Non-Invasive Lab Privileges			

I attest by signature that I have met the minimum criteria of procedures/diagnoses management within my clinical practice for the procedures requested above, and I agree to provide documentation of said procedures/diagnoses management if requested.

Applicant Signature _____
Date

The Department Chairperson accepts this applicant’s attestation that he/she meets the minimum criteria for privileges requested.

___Yes___ No___

Department Chair Signature _____
Date

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Delineation of Core Privileges

Core I – Cardiology

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- 1. Basic Education: M.D. or D.O. degree**
- 2. Completed additional education/training as follows:**
 - Completion of accredited Internal Medicine residency;
 - AND**
 - Completion of accredited Cardiology residency or fellowship program
 - AND**
 - Board Certification in Internal Medicine and/or Cardiovascular Disease
- 3. Have the following past experience:**

Applicant must be able to demonstrate that he or she has provided inpatient or consultative services for at least 25 patients during the last 12 months if requested.

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CORE I PRIVILEGES IN CARDIOLOGY

Cardiology Core I privileges include being able to admit, work up, diagnose, and provide treatment or consultative services to adult patients presenting with cardiovascular disease.

Including:

- Exercise Treadmill Testing
- Cardioversion
- Echocardiography
- Pericardiocentesis
- Peripheral Arterial and Coronary Catheterization
- Temporary Transvenous Pacemaker Insertion
- Swan Ganz Catheter Insertion
- Monitoring and Central Venous Catheterization
- Use of external pacemakers and defibrillators

These privileges do not include any of the non-core privileges.

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Core II – Electrophysiology

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

In addition to the criteria for Core I – Cardiology Privileges, the applicant must have received an additional (preferably consecutive) twelve months of clinical training in electrophysiology.

REQUIRED PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE:

1. Applicant must be able to demonstrate experience in analyzing 100 diagnostic procedures as primary operator or assistant; 50 should be as initial procedures, and 50 should involve supraventricular arrhythmias.
2. For those physicians who finished formal training prior to 1992:
 - a) 100 diagnostic procedures as primary operator; and
 - b) Participation in 30 Category One CME hours of courses designed to provide specific instruction in Electrophysiology.

Electrophysiology Core II privileges include:

- Insertion of venous and arterial catheters
- Intracardiac and intoperative mapping techniques
- Operation of fluoroscopy, recording equipment, and programmable stimulators
- Use of external pacemakers and defibrillators

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NON-CORE PRIVILEGES

For each of the following clinical privileges, the applicant must document threshold and maintenance competence as outlined on the following pages:

- A. Coronary Atherectomy
- B. Percutaneous Transluminal Coronary Angioplasty
- C. Endomyocardial Biopsy
- D. Transesophageal Echocardiography
- E. Coronary Stent Placement and Rotablater
- F. Coronary Arteriography/Left Heart Catheterization
- G. Catheter Ablation
- H. Permanent Pacemaker Insertion
- I. ICD Insertion/ EP Analysis
- J. Reading Nuclear Stress Studies
- K. Carotid Stent Placement
- L. Cardiac CT Angiography/Interpretation

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Non-Core Privileges

Coronary Atherectomy

1. Eligibility Criteria:

In addition to the eligibility criteria for Core I Cardiology Privileges:

- A. Additional one year of structured fellowship training in Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PCI), **OR**
- B. Extensive experience in one or more formal PCI courses including at least 50 hours of Category I instruction.

2. Required Previous Experience:

- A. During fellowship training, performance of at least 125 supervised coronary angioplasty procedures, of which 75 should be performed as the principal operator, and training in coronary atherectomy certified by the Program Director; **OR**
 - B. In lieu of formal fellowship training:
 - 1) At least two years experience in performing cardiac catheterization, and at least 500 diagnostic cardiac catheterizations and coronary angiographies;
 - 2) Special instruction in coronary angioplasty in one or more formal courses (at least 50 hours of CME Category I instruction);
 - 3) Performance of at least 125 Stent/PCI procedures, 75 as the primary operator.
 - 4) Attend and provide certificate of completion of recognized course in coronary atherectomy with safety training.
- C. Documented attendance at a formal device-specific course for each FDA technology for which privileges are requested.

*Separate credentialing/individual education required for:

- 1) cutting/directional atherectomy (e.g. DVI)
- 2) suction/extraction atherectomy (e.g. TEC)
- 3) High speed rotation/ pulverizing atherectomy (e.g. Rotablator)

3. Maintenance Requirements:

Applicant must demonstrate proficiency in Coronary Atherectomy procedures with a satisfactory quality record over the past two-year period to maintain privileges. It is recognized that two primary operators are common with this procedure.

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Percutaneous Coronary Intervention

1. Eligibility Criteria:

- A. Basic education: M.D. or D.O. degree;
- B. Completion of accredited Internal Medicine residency;
- C. Completion of accredited Cardiology Residency or Fellowship with specific invasive training;
- D. Additional one year of structured fellowship training in PCI, or
- E. As stated in 2. Required Previous Experience, B. In lieu of formal fellowship training.

2. Required Previous Experience:

- A. During fellowship training, performance of at least 125 supervised coronary angioplasty procedures, of which 75 performed as the principal operator, **OR**
 - B. In lieu of formal fellowship training:
 - 1) At least two (2) years experience in performing cardiac catheterization, and at least 500 diagnostic cardiac catheterizations and coronary angiographies.
 - 2) Special instruction in coronary angioplasty in one or more formal courses (at least 50 hours of CME Category I instruction); **AND**
 - 3) Performance of at least 125 PTCA procedures, 75 as the primary operator.

3. Maintenance Requirements

- A. Applicant must perform 50 Percutaneous Coronary Intervention procedures with a satisfactory quality record over a two-year period to maintain privileges.

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Endomyocardial Biopsy

1. Eligibility Criteria:

- A. Basic education: M.D. or D.O. degree;
- B. Completion of accredited Internal Medicine residency; **AND**
- C. Completion of accredited Cardiology residency or fellowship.

2. Required Previous Experience:

- A. Maintain privileges to perform cardiac catheterization procedures at Louisiana Medical Center and Heart Hospital.
- B. Show documented evidence of having performed five (5) previous endomyocardial biopsy procedures.

3. Maintenance Requirements

- A. Applicant must demonstrate proficiency in endomyocardial biopsy procedures with a satisfactory quality record over the past two-year period to maintain non-provisional privileges.

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Transeophageal Echocardiography

1. Eligibility Criteria:

- A. Basic education: M.D. or D.O. degree;
- B. Completion of accredited Internal Medicine residency; **AND**
- C. Completion of accredited Cardiology residency or fellowship with documented training in Transthoracic echocardiography endorsed by the Program Director.

2. Required Previous Experience:

- A. Applicant must have performed at least 40 documented Transeseophageal Echocardiography procedures during an approved residency program; **OR**
- B. Applicant must have attended at least two (2) formal programs or continuing education courses on TEE encompassing a minimum of 24 Category I hours. Applicant must document 10 TEE probe insertions in conjunction with a fully trained Endoscopist. Applicant must have performed five (5) TEE procedures in a proctored setting within a 24 month period and provide documentation completed by the proctor.

3. Maintenance Requirements

- A. Applicant must demonstrate proficiency in Transesophageal Echocardiography procedures with a satisfactory quality record over the past two-year period to maintain privileges.

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Coronary Stent Placement

1. Eligibility Criteria:

- A. Basic education: M.D. or D.O. degree;
- B. Completion of accredited Internal Medicine residency;
- C. Completion of accredited Cardiology residency or fellowship;
- D. Additional one year of structured fellowship training in percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI); **OR**
- E. Extensive experience in one or more formal PCI courses including at least 50 hours of Category 1 instruction.

2. Required Previous Experience:

- A. During residency or fellowship training, performance of at least 125 supervised coronary angioplasty procedures of which 75 performed as the principal operator, **OR**
 - B. In lieu of formal fellowship training:
 - 1) At least two years experience in performing cardiac catheterization, and at least 500 diagnostic cardiac catheterizations and coronary angiographies;
 - 2) Special instruction in coronary angioplasty in one or more formal courses (at least 50 hours of CME Category I instruction);
 - 3) Performance of least 125 PCI procedures, 75 as the principal operator.
- C. Documented attendance at a formal device-specific course for each FDA technology for which privileges are requested.

3. Oversight:

- A. Proctoring of the first five (5) interventional procedures (various), not five (5) for each request.
- B. Must be proctored by a certified person from the company supplying equipment to the hospital.

4. Maintenance Requirements:

- A. Applicant **must** perform 10 coronary stent placement procedures with a satisfactory quality record over a two-year period to maintain non-provisional privileges.

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Coronary Arteriography
Left Heart Catheterization
(Excluding Trans-Septal Catheterization)

1. Eligibility Criteria:

- A. Basic education: M.D. or D.O. degree;
- B. Completion of accredited Internal Medicine residency; and
- C. Completion of accredited Cardiology fellowship with specific invasive training.

2. Required Previous Experience:

- A. During fellowship training, minimum of 300 supervised coronary catheterization procedures must be performed, of which 200 should be performed as the principal operator.

3. Maintenance Requirements:

- A. Applicant must perform 75 coronary arteriography or left heart catheterization procedures with a satisfactory quality record over the past two-year period to maintain privileges.

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Catheter Ablation

1. Eligibility Criteria:

- A. Basic Education: M.D. or D.O. degree;
- B. Completion of accredited Internal Medicine residency;
- C. Completion of accredited Cardiology fellowship;
- D. Completion of requirements for eligibility to take certification examination in Electrophysiology of the American Board of Internal Medicine.

2. Required Previous Experience:

- A. Primary operator for a minimum of 30 ablation procedures including at least 15 accessory pathway ablations.
 - B. For those physicians who finished formal training prior to 1992:
 - 1) Physician must participate in and analyze 50 ablation procedures with no more than 20 being AV nodal modification or total ablation;
 - 2) Primary operator for a minimum of 30 ablation procedures with 15 accessory pathway ablations; **AND**
 - 3) Participation in at least one formal CME course designed to provide specific instruction in catheter ablation.

3. Oversight:

- A. Proctoring of the first five (5) interventional procedures (various), not five (5) for each request.

4. Maintenance Requirements:

- A. Applicant, as primary operator, must perform 40 Catheter Ablation procedures over a two-year period with a satisfactory quality record to maintain privileges. Supraventricular success rate should be at least 80%; ventricular success rate should be at least 30%.

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Permanent Pacemaker Insertion

1. Eligibility Criteria:

- A. Basic Education: M.D. or D.O. degree;
- B. Completion of accredited Internal Medicine residency;
- C. Completion of accredited Cardiology fellowship

2. Required Previous Experience:

- A. Performance of at least 25 permanent pacemaker implantations as primary operator.
- B. Documentation by a physician credentialed to perform permanent pacemaker implantation, of successful implantation of at least 25 permanent pacemakers, with a statement attesting to complication rates and appropriate follow-up management.

3. Maintenance Requirements:

- A. Applicant, as primary operator, must perform 15 new device/ICD and/or replacement implantations with a satisfactory quality record over the past two-year period to maintain non-provisional privileges.

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ICD Insertion/EP Analysis

1. Eligibility Criteria:

- A. Basic Education: M.D. or D.O. degree;
- B. Completion of accredited Internal Medicine residency;
- C. Completion of accredited Cardiology fellowship.

2. Required Previous Experience:

- A. ICD implantation should be considered a unique and different procedure from pacemaker implantation. The procedure contains three parts:
 - 1) Training in the procedure for ICD pocket creation. This should include knowledge of the optimal location to achieve satisfactory defibrillation threshold.
 - 2) Training in the insertion manipulation and positioning of the defibrillation lead system which could be a transvenous lead system to be positioned at different locations in the right atrium and ventricle or other types of lead system that may be chosen as deemed necessary depending on the patient specific situation or defibrillation threshold (such as the subcutaneous patches or array lead system).
 - 3) Training in Intra-Op, EP testing which includes testing the integrity and function of the defibrillation system. In addition, training in induction of ventricular fibrillation and assessing the defibrillation threshold with programming the necessary changes as needed.

OR

- B. Training following completion of Fellowship
 - 1) Six months of formal EP training
 - 2) Documentation of at least 25 ICD implantations including device pocket creation under supervision (at least 15 must be ICD, and 10 may be pacemakers).

OR

- C. Yearly Implantation
 - 1) Of at least 12 ICD devices (including pocket creation, defibrillation lead insertion and Intra Op EP testing)
 - 2) 20 CEU's of EP Training every two years

OR

- D. Attendance at a formal ICD training program

OR

- D. Prior adequate experience with insertion of atrial ventricular pacers

OR

- E. Proctoring of two (2) ICD devices

3. Maintenance Requirements:

- A. Must be proficient in implantation of ICD devices (including pocket creation, defibrillation lead insertion, and Intra Op EP testing.
- B. Ongoing continuing education.

**Louisiana Medical Center and Heart Hospital
Medicine Department
Interpretation of Nuclear Stress Studies**

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA: To be able to request these clinical privileges, the applicant must meet the criteria below:

- 1. MD, DO**
- 2. Completed additional education/training as follows:**
 - Completed of an accredited Residency program in Nuclear Medicine
- 3. Licensed by the Nuclear Radiology Commission (NRC)**
- 4. Listed on LMCHH's Nuclear License**
- 5. Follow Medicare Guidelines**
 - 1) - Nuclear cardiology procedures and interpretations by physicians who are not NCR licensed must be performed under the general supervision of a physician who is licensed by the Nuclear Radiology Commission (NRC). The physician must send in a written request identifying his supervising physician along with a letter from the supervising physician agreeing to supervise. The policy would also require that the supervising physician periodically review (over-read) the readings of the supervised physician;

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Delineation of Privileges

Non-Core – High Risk Carotid Stent Placement

A) ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

Core Privileges:

- Core I Privileges

AND

- Fellowship Training: Documentation of fellowship training experience including at least 20 Carotid Stent non high risk procedures.

OR

Postgraduate Training:

- Completion of an approved post-graduate course with documentation of carotid stent proctoring. If the proctoring is to be completed at LHH, Provisional privileges to perform Carotid Stent Procedures may be granted for a limited period of time in order for the cases to be proctored.

AND

Experience:

- Must have completed ten (10) diagnostic carotid angiograms at Louisiana Medical Center and Heart Hospital in order for outcomes to be reviewed by the Medical Executive/Credentials Committee

OTHER CRITERIA:

- On site prospective and retrospective review of first five (5) carotid stent cases. After review of the outcomes of these cases by the Medical Executive Committee, the prospective/retrospective period could be extended.

B) RECREDENTIALING CRITERIA:

Physicians must perform at least ten (10) Carotid Stent procedures of satisfactory quality over the previous two (2) year period at any accredited hospital and perform twenty (20) Diagnostic Carotid Angiograms over the previous two (2) year period at Louisiana Medical Center and Heart Hospital. Failure to meet the recredentialing criteria will require appeal to the Medical Executive Committee.

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CARDIAC CT ANGIOGRAPHY

In order to be eligible to request clinical privileges in CCT angiography, an applicant must meet the following minimum threshold criteria:

- Basic education: *MD or DO*
- Minimum formal training: *Successful completion of an ACGME-/AOA-accredited postgraduate program in cardiovascular disease, radiology, or nuclear medicine. If the applicant's postgraduate program did not include cardiac CT angiography training, applicants must demonstrate that they have successfully completed one of the following:*
 - *A formal course in cardiac CT that included CT angiography and proctored initial cases*

OR

Required previous experience: Applicants must be able to demonstrate the successful performance and interpretation of at least 50 cardiac CT angiograms in the past 12 months.

- *Reappointment: Reappointment should be based on unbiased, objective results of care according to the organization's existing quality assurance mechanisms. Applicants must be able to demonstrate that they have maintained competence by documenting that they have successfully performed and interpreted at least 25 cardiac CT angiograms annually over the reappointment cycle.*

In addition, continuing education related to the performance and interpretation of cardiac CT angiograms as required by SSCT.

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Delineation of Core Privileges

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA: To be able to request these clinical privileges, the applicant must hold CORE I privileges in Cardiology, Surgery, Internal Medicine, or Radiology,

and be Board Certified, and

meet the criteria below:

6. MD, DO

7. Completed additional education/training as follows:

-Completion of ACGME approved Residency or post graduate fellowship in interventional radiology, vascular surgery, invasive vascular medicine or cardiology with documented formal training and experience in performing peripheral vascular diagnostic and interventional procedures.

and

-During fellowship training, a minimum of 200 angiographic procedures and 75 angioplasty procedures should have been performed. The applying physician should provide the hospital with a list of patients with statistics that include:

- the total number of cases in attendance as primary operator
- the sites and types of interventions
- the complications encountered, or, if a recent graduate,
- a letter from his or her program director stating without qualification that the physician is adequately trained and is capable of performing diagnostic peripheral angiography and vascular intervention procedures independently.

If the physician does not meet the above requirements, then he/she should enter the post-graduate section as noted below:

Post-Graduate Eligibility Requirement

The applicant must have successfully completed an approved residency in general surgery, internal medicine, or radiology with the following experiences:

- Successful completion of post-graduate course with didactic training in patient selection, procedural techniques, and complications for peripheral vascular diagnostic and interventional procedures,
- A minimum of 50 continuing medical education hours,
- 50 individual peripheral vascular interventions,
- log-book documentation of the procedures, an acceptable complication rate and favorable outcomes.

Maintenance Requirements

Applicant must demonstrate proficiency in Tissue Removal/Surgical Exclusion Percutaneous Transluminal Angioplasty procedures over the past two-year period to maintain non-provisional privileges.

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CORE II – PERIPHERAL INTERVENTION PRIVILEGES

Applicant must fulfill the criteria for Category 1 privileges either through formal fellowship or post-graduate training.

Applicants who have undergone formal peripheral vascular diagnostic and interventional fellowships, who provide documentation of additional training in thrombolytic therapy, catheter-directed thrombectomy, visceral intervention and caval filters, can apply directly for Core II privileges.

The applicant needs to provide the following:

- Total number of cases in attendance as primary operator,
- The interventions performed,
- Complications encountered, or, if a recent graduate
- A letter from his/her program director stating without qualification that the physician was adequately trained and is capable of doing advanced peripheral vascular intervention independently.

Post-Graduate Eligibility Requirements

Applicant applying for Core II privileges through the post-graduate route need to meet the Core I criteria.

They must provide documentation for an additional 50 hours of continuing medical education, Category I instruction in the area of advanced peripheral vascular interventions.

Formal documentation of proctorship with performance of at least 25 visceral artery interventions, 10 thrombolytic cases and 10 complex vascular interventions including catheter directed thrombectomy, caval filter placement or coil embolization.

Maintenance Requirement

Same as for Core I privileges.

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CORE III – DIAGNOSTIC NEUROVASCULAR AND EXTRACRANIAL CAROTID ANGIOGRAPHY AND ENDOVASCULAR INTERVENTIONS

Applicant must fulfill the criteria for Category 1 privileges either through formal fellowship or post-graduate training.

Eligibility Requirement

Completion of an approved post-graduate fellowship in interventional radiology, neuroradiology, vascular medicine, or cardiology with documented formal training and experience in performing cerebral angiography and extracranial carotid interventions with a minimum of 75 diagnostic cases and 20 interventions, meets the criteria for Core IIIa & IIIb.

The applicant needs to provide the following:

- Total number of cases in attendance as primary operator,
- The interventions performed,
- Complications encountered, or, if a recent graduate
- A letter from his/her program director stating without qualification that the physician was adequately trained and is capable of doing advanced peripheral vascular intervention independently.

Post Graduate Eligibility Requirements

Successful completion of approved residency in general surgery with fellowship training in vascular surgery, internal medicine with fellowship training in cardiology or radiology with the following experience:

- Successful completion of a post-graduate course with documentation of didactic training in patient selection, procedural technique and complications.
- Minimum of 50 category 1 continuing medical education hours.
- A proctored experience including 75 Extracranial Carotid Artery Diagnostic procedures.

Application for privileges in Extracranial Intervention (Core III b) would include the above and additional proctored training in the area of Extracranial Carotid Balloon Angioplasty and Stent with successful proctored completion of 20 Extracranial Carotid Artery Interventions with documentation of results and adequate outcomes.

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CORE IV – ENDOGRAFT SECTION

Applicant must fulfill the criteria for Core 1 privileges either through formal fellowship or post-graduate training in your specialty.

Eligibility Requirement

Completion of an approved post-graduate fellowship in vascular surgery, vascular medicine or interventional radiology that included formal training and experience in performing endoluminal stent graft procedures.

The applicant needs to provide the following:

- Total number of cases in attendance as primary operator,
- The interventions performed,
- Complications encountered, and, if a new graduate
- A letter from his/her program director stating without qualification that the physician was adequately trained and is capable of doing advanced peripheral vascular intervention independently.

Post-Graduate

Successful completion of an approved residency in general surgery, internal medicine or radiology with the following experience:

- Successful completion of post-graduate course with documentation of didactic training in patient selection, procedural technique and post-graduate care
- Proctored experience for 10 successful endograft cases,
- Alternatively, completion of the requisite post-graduate training course and the previous experience with the successful completion of 25 endografts.

Maintenance Requirements

Applicant must perform 12 endograft procedures over the past 2 year period to maintain non-provisional privileges.

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Peripheral Vascular Laboratory Privileges

1. **Eligibility Criteria:**

- A. Basic Education: M.D. or D.O.
- B. Fellowship training which includes non-invasive vascular testing. Log book documentation of tests performed/interpreted or a letter from your program director.

OR

- C. Training requirements for individuals without fellowship training
 - 1) Peripheral arterial disease
 - a. Fifty (50) hours of CEU instruction
 - 2) Carotid disease
 - a. Carotid duplex imaging -fifty (50) hours of CEU instruction
 - 3) Peripheral venous disease
 - a. Peripheral venous duplex imaging, doppler and strain gauge -fifty (50) hours of CEU instruction

AND

- D. A minimum of forty (40) tests in each category over-read by a staff physician currently active in non-invasive vascular testing.