

<b>Privileges for: APRN - Surgery</b>
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Request

ST. ELIZABETH - EDGEWOOD  
 ST. ELIZABETH - FLORENCE  
 ST. ELIZABETH - FT. THOMAS  
 ST. ELIZABETH - GRANT CO. (Surgical & other invasive procedures requiring general anesthetic are not offered)

MEC Approval: November 18, 2010, revised 4/28/2011; Revised 2.27.2014; Revised 9.25.2014; Revised 2.25.2016

Board Approval: January 10, 2011, Revised May 2, 2011; Revised 11.3.2014; Revised 3.10.2016

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 Department/Section Chair Signature

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 Date

Nursing Administration Approval

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 Sr. V.P. of Nursing or Designee Signature

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 Date

**\*Must be sponsored by a physician who is a member of the Medical Staff of St. Elizabeth Healthcare\***

**SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN ENDORSEMENT:** As the applicant's supervising physician, I have read the foregoing application and have indicated by my initials and date above the appropriate levels of supervision I will employ to promote the safety and care of our patients at a generally recognized professional level of quality and efficiency. I acknowledge my continuing responsibility for supervising this applicant until such time as he or she secures another supervising physician.

I agree that the use of my electronic signature below indicates my intent to sign this document as if it were my original handwritten signature.

Last 4 digits of S.S.N. \_\_\_\_\_

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 Sponsoring Physician Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

Current license to practice nursing in Kentucky  
 Successful completion of an accredited nurse practitioner training program and  
 Certification by Kentucky as a Nurse Practitioner

**PRIVILEGES REQUESTED**

Pursuant to Bylaws Section 6.1.4, practitioners may exercise the privileges requested and awarded below only at facilities where St. Elizabeth Healthcare offers those services. **NOTE:** For each privilege that the practitioner requests below, the supervising physician must, prior to submission to the section chair, indicate the level of supervision that he or she intends to exercise by typing the level of supervision into the COMMENTS box for each requested privilege below:

o For privileges that may be exercised via phone availability (and not more than 30 minutes travel time away), type an "A" in the COMMENTS box. (A Physician Assistant must have 18 months of continuous experience before this option is available.)

o For privileges requiring on-site supervision, type an "O" in the COMMENTS box.

o For privileges requiring direct supervision, type a "D" in the COMMENTS box.

If a supervision level is not offered, the MEC and Board have determined that that level of supervision may not be employed.

**DEFINITIONS OF LEVELS OF SUPERVISION**

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**Direct Supervision:** This means the supervising physician is sufficiently nearby that the AHP may verbally summon the supervisor's help if needed when the AHP is performing a function requiring direct supervision. Although the physician may be performing some other task at the time, the supervising physician must be able to immediately provide direction and assume the performance of the task if difficulties arise. This does not require that the physician is actually in sight of the AHP or watching "over the shoulder" of all AHPs as may be required during the training period of Physician Assistants to ensure that the Physician Assistant is competent to perform the task.

**On-site supervision:** Requires the physical presence of the supervising physician in the same location (i.e. the hospital) as the AHP, but does not require the physical presence in the same room.

**Available by phone:** The supervising physician must be continuously available for direct communication with the AHP and must be in a location that, under normal conditions, is not more than 30 minutes travel time from the AHP's location.

**DESCRIPTION OF CORE PRIVILEGES**

Core privileges as a Surgical Nurse Practitioner include the care, treatment or services listed immediately below. I specifically acknowledge that my certification and training alone do not necessarily qualify me to perform all core privileges or assure competence in all clinical areas. By signing this request, I believe that my specific training, experience and current competence qualifies me to perform each privilege that I have requested by checking in the spaces below. Please line through and initial any specific privileges within a checked privilege group that you are not requesting.

I am privileged to collaborate with more than one physician group.

Performance of histories and physicals limited in scope to the supervising physician's area of expertise and subject to the countersignature requirements of the Rules and Regulations (-A- or -O-)

Record medication, diagnostic and therapeutic verbal orders given by the supervising physician, subject to the verification, read-back and countersignature requirements of the Rules and Regulations (-A- or -O-)

Conduct rounds, make chart entries (subject to the countersignature requirements of the Rules and Regulations) and prepare discharge summaries for supervising Member signature (-A- or -O-)

Write orders within the AHP's scope of practice, as delegated by the supervising physician acting within his or her area of expertise (-A- or -O-)

Patient counseling and patient instruction based on Physician orders (-A- or -O-)

Prescribe non-scheduled pharmacologic agents within the scope of the supervising physician's area of expertise and training (Kentucky Board of Nursing eligibility plus CAPA-NC form required) (-A- or -O-)

Make appropriate referrals to other health professionals and community agencies (-A- or -O-)

Order appropriate diagnostic tests within the scope of the supervising physician's area of expertise and training (-A- or -O-)

OFFICE BASED PRIVILEGES (applies to SEH Cardiac & Thoracic Surgery practice only)

Examine, evaluate, and treat ambulatory patients. Perform new patient consults (cardiac and thoracic), follow-up appointments, post-operative appointments, wound packing, suture and/or staple removal, debridement, EKG and cauterization

**Additional Privileges:** In addition to the core privileges requested above, I am requesting the additional privileges below. In addition to meeting the minimum requirements for core privileges, applicants must provide documentation (training course certification, letter from supervising physician) demonstrating appropriate education, training, ability and current competence. Credentialing bodies or persons may request additional documentation or information. By signing this request, I believe that my specific training, experience and current competence qualifies me to perform each privilege that I have requested by checking in the spaces below.

Wound care, including superficial debridement, local anesthesia, incision and drainage of superficial abscesses and use of sutures, staples or skin adhesives, wound packing and foreign body removal (-A- or -O- or -D-)

Placement of central venous catheters (-D-)

Removal of central venous catheters (-A- or -O- or -D-)

Fluoroscopy (Radiation safety certification required) (-A- or -O- or -D-)

Prescription of controlled substances within scope of authority and within the scope of the supervising physician's area of expertise and training (KY Board of Nursing eligibility and CAPA-CS, DEA) (-A- or -O- or -D-)

Peak flow assessment (-A- or -O- or -D-)

Arterial puncture (ABGs) (-A- or -O- or -D-)

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\_\_\_\_\_ Arterial cannulation (-O- or -D-)

\_\_\_\_\_ Placement of small bore chest tubes (-D-)

\_\_\_\_\_ Removal of chest tubes (-A- or -O- or -D-)

\_\_\_\_\_ Removal of intra-aortic balloon pump (requires documentation of 3 proctored cases) - (- O -)

\_\_\_\_\_ Placement of drains (-D-)

\_\_\_\_\_ Removal of drains (-A- or -O- or -D-)

\_\_\_\_\_ Placement of pain pumps (-D-)

\_\_\_\_\_ Removal of pain pumps such as Ambit, on Q, or any similar device (-A- or -O- or -D-)

\_\_\_\_\_ Lap band adjustment (-A- or -O- or -D-)

**GYN ONCOLOGY**

\_\_\_\_\_ Endometrial biopsy (-O- or -D-) - 15 proctored cases required

\_\_\_\_\_ Vulvar biopsy (-O- or -D-) - 15 proctored cases required

\_\_\_\_\_ ECC (-O- or -D-) - 15 proctored cases required

\_\_\_\_\_ Colposcopy with biopsy (-D-) - 25 proctored cases required

**FOR ORTHOPEDICS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Apply and remove orthopedic casts and traction (-A- or -O- or -D-)

\_\_\_\_\_ Intra-articular injections / aspirations (-A- or -O- or -D-)

**SPINE SURGERY**

\_\_\_\_\_ Removal of temporary leads from trial spinal cord stimulation (-A- or -O- or -D-)

\_\_\_\_\_ Trigger point injections (-A- or -O- or -D-)

**SURGERY**

\_\_\_\_\_ Assisting in surgery; CRITERIA: half day course provided by O.R. Education

Utilize the nursing process and functions as the patient advocate for the patient's plan of care based on assessment; Knowledge of aseptic techniques when functioning in the perioperative setting; Knowledge of and proper administration of medications in the perioperative setting; Maintains a safe environment for optimal patient outcomes; Provides wound exposure; Handles tissue with appropriate technique; Under the supervision of the surgeon, may perform subcuticular skin closure (after completion of suturing course); Dressing application, based on surgeon preference.

\_\_\_\_\_ First Assisting; CRITERIA: For those applying after 1.1.2016, completion of the St. Elizabeth/ NKU First Assistant year long course.

Knowledgeable in OR/sterile technique, utilizes the nursing process and functions as the patient advocate for the patient's plan of care based on assessment, maintains a safe environment for optimal patient outcomes, knowledge of and proper administration of medications in the perioperative setting, maintenance of operative wound, proper wound exposure (retractors/instrumentation), placement of ports for laparoscopic/minimally invasive procedures, handles tissue with appropriate technique, hemostasis (clamping, ligating, thermal), tying deep in cavities, knowledge in various suture methods, wound closure (deep and superficial) involving muscle, fascia, subcutaneous, and skin layers as directed by surgeon, use of stapling devices (bowel resections), placement of surgical drains/chest tubes, saphenous vein harvest in cardiac specialty, cannulation/decannulation methods for various cardiac procedures, dressing application, based on surgeon preference

**OTHER:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Laser hair removal (-A- or -O- or -D-)

\_\_\_\_\_ Vein/vascular lesion removal (-A- or -O- or -D-)

\_\_\_\_\_ Photofacial laser privileges (-A- or -O- or -D-)

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Please submit collaborative practice agreement with this document.

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**Applicants Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_