



TAHOE FOREST HOSPITAL DISTRICT

POLICY/PROCEDURE

NO. _____

SECTION LABORATORY/MEDICAL STAFF

TITLE: EKG INTERPRETATIONS POLICY

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Purpose:

To provide accurate interpretation for all patients undergoing EKG 12 Lead diagnostic testing. Hospital policy requires a list of physicians qualified to read their patient's EKGs.

Procedure:

Physicians not having EKG reading privileges:

Tahoe Forest Hospital District (TFHD) contracts for EKG interpretation of EKGs for patients of physicians who have not been granted EKG test privileges and cannot interpret their own EKGs.

The following physicians are contracted to read these EKGs:

- Richard Ganong, MD
- James Englesby, MD
- Joseph Lombard, MD
- Timothy Lombard, MD

The schedule for these readings will be assigned by Richard Ganong, MD.

The Laboratory will enter the contract physician reading the EKG into the Laboratory computer system and verify totals for each interpreting contracted physician at the end of the month. Patients **are** billed an interpretation fee by TFHD.

Physicians having EKG reading privileges to interpret their own EKGs:

Physicians having privileges to interpret their own EKGs will not be paid by TFHD for interpretation. Patients **are not** billed interpretation fees by TFHD.

Attachments:

1. List of **APPROVED** physicians to perform their own interpretations.
2. List of physicians **NOT APPROVED** to perform their own interpretation.

CC: Laboratory

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