

**Kettering Medical Center
Kettering Memorial Hospital/Sycamore Hospital**

**Credentialing Criteria
for
ROBOTIC ASSISTED (daVinci) SURGERY**

To obtain privileges in robotic assisted surgery, the applicant must fulfill the following criteria:

1. Successful completion of an ACGME/AOA accredited residency or fellowship training program in Cardio-Thoracic, Urologic or General Surgery.
2. Unrestricted laparoscopic surgical privileges, including privileges for the procedure to be performed with robotic assistance if currently being performed without robotic assistance.
3. If residency/fellowship training completed within the past three years a letter from the program director stating that applicant is qualified to perform the requested procedures utilizing daVinci Surgical System.
4. If greater than three years, must also submit case log of at least 10 cases, performed within the past year and a letter from the appropriate hospital department chair stating the applicant is qualified to perform the requested procedure utilizing the daVinci Surgical System.

or

5. If residency/fellowship training did not include formal training in using the daVinci Surgical System, applicant must complete all phases of a Clinical Mini-Fellowship Training Program facilitated through Intuitive Surgical. The training program must be more than didactics. It must include hands on simulation, usually with the porcine model. In addition, the applicant must observe two cases with a preceptor physician teaching. Applicants requesting to be precepted/proctored at KMC must apply for additional privileges via the medical staff office.

Prior to obtaining unrestricted privileges applicant must:

- a. Perform a minimum of three proctored cases, acting as primary surgeon.
- b. Submit a letter of proficiency from the elected preceptor/proctor. If candidate is not deemed proficient after three cases, then the physician will continue casework until proficiency is achieved.
- c. The first 5 cases performed independently at Kettering Medical Center will be subject to retrospective review by the clinical service chief and/or designee.

Reappointment: Practitioners requesting reappointment of daVinci robotic assisted surgical privileges shall demonstrate successful performance (as defined by the Clinical Service Chief and/or designee) of 10 procedures during the previous reappointment cycle.

If the surgeon fails to meet the maintenance caseload, he or she must repeat two preceptor observed cases, until again deemed proficient.

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