

Suggested Criteria for Board Focused Review of Credentials Applications

1. The MEC or the credentials committee has recommended that the application not be approved as originally submitted by the applicant.
2. The MEC is recommending a non-routine conditional appointment (e.g., requirement for continuing enrollment in impaired physician program, concurring consultation requirement, appointment contingent upon a fitness to practice exam, appointment is time limited for period less than 24 months).
3. Applicant is returning from a leave of absence (from practice or the hospital) of greater than two years.
4. The applicant failed to complete two or more residency programs.
5. There is evidence that the applicant failed to pass medical boards on more than two occasions.

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6. More than two members of the MEC dissented from the executive committee recommendation to the board.
7. The applicant has a history of more than five malpractice judgments or settlements.
8. The MEC is recommending an exemption from any established criteria for membership or privileges.
9. The applicant has a history of any of the following:
 - Termination or a restriction of privileges at any healthcare organization
 - An action by a state medical board affecting his or her license
 - Has been the subject of a fair hearing
 - Has been found guilty of a felony or any type of fraud against an insurance company or the government or ever been on the OIG list of sanctioned providers

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10. There is a request by a board member, a medical staff officer, the hospital CEO, or VPMA for board discussion of an applicant.
11. The applicant is requesting the grant of a privilege which has not previously been approved by the board.
12. The applicant is an employee of a direct competitor or has a substantial investment in a competing facility (criteria defining competing entity to be established by the board).