

## April 2010

### By-Laws

During the February Medical Dental Staff meeting, five amendments to the By-laws were presented and discussed. Voting was conducted by mail in ballot and the results are as followed:

	Approve	Did Not Approve	TOTAL
Podiatry	244	20	264
Senior Active Status	248	16	264
Medical Executive Committee Reorganization	260	4	264
Board Certification & Re-certification	251	13	264
Locum tenens Credentials & Privileges	261	3	264

### Triad Radiology Policy Change

Any patient with an established diagnosis of cirrhosis, and who is not on any anticoagulation medicine, can undergo thoracentesis or paracentesis without limitation of INR. Platelet counts should be in excess of 25,000.

### Unlabeled Specimen

All specimens submitted to the laboratory for testing must be properly labeled in the presence of the patient and legible. Improperly labeled or illegible specimens may be rejected by the laboratory. Please refer to policy TRw-PC-LB-0110 "Specimen Collection and Handling – Labeling Requirements and Specimen Rejection" for more information.

### Public Safety

FMC and MPH will be participating in a National Disaster Medical System exercise on Wednesday, 04/07/2010, along with other hospital throughout FEMA Region IV (the South-eastern United States). We will be receiving a number of patients who have been evacuated in the face of a hurricane striking the Gulf Coast in addition to having to cope with local emergencies affecting our hospitals at the same time. You may be asked to participate

### Upcoming Events

- **A-fib Symposium** – The first Stop A-fib Symposium will be hosted in the FMC Conference Center on Saturday April 10<sup>th</sup>. This symposium will offer the latest information on the management and cure of A-fib. Please register by April 2<sup>nd</sup> by contacting Kathy Gaydos 718-5987. The fee is \$75.
- **Doctor to Doctor Day** - The third annual Doctor to Doctor social will be held on April 27<sup>th</sup> in the FMC Conference Center. Please make plans to join us for this time of food and fellowship, as well as networking and education. To reserve display space, please call 336-245-9753.
- **Schwartz Rounds** – April 28<sup>th</sup> from noon to 1:00 pm, in Meeting Rooms 1 & 2. This program is open to all hospital staff, for the purpose of enhancing communications between and the promotion of teamwork among caregivers. Space is limited and lunch will be served.