

DATE:

June 9, 2004

TO:

Dr. A Kwan,

Chairperson, O.R. Committee & Chief of Divisional Surgery, HSC Ms. Shirley Taylor, Chairperson, O.R. Committee, St. Clare's Hospital

FROM:

Dr. G. Ejeckam

Chairperson, Surgical Pathology Review Committee

RE:

SPECIMEN WITHOUT CLINICAL HISTORY

At the last meeting of the Surgical Review Committee, members continued to show concern over noncompliance by many physicians with regards to completing the surgical pathology request forms adequately.

It was decided to request that the O.R. Committee adopt a policy whereby no specimen leaves the O.R. for the laboratory without adequate clinical history.

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I request that you kindly evolve a "modus operandi" to realize this decision.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Dr. G. Ejeckam

Chairperson,

Surgical Pathology Review Committee

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cc: Dr. R. Williams, Vice-President, Medical Services

Dr. D. Cook. Clinical Chief

Dr. A. Felix, Chief of Divisional Surgery, St. Clare's Hospital

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