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SURGICAL PATHOLOGY REVIEW COMMITTEE (SPRC)
HEALTH SCIENCE CENTRE, HCCSJ
MINUTES OF MEETING, MAY 24, 2005

VICE PRESIDENT

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MEDICAL SERVICES

PRESENT: Dr. G. Ejeckam, Chairman
Dr. M. Parai
Dr. P. Power (Gynecologist Representative)
Theresa Curtis, Secretary

ABSENT: Dr. L. Dawson
Dr. J. Siddiqui
Dr. S. Battcock
Dr. A. Kwan
Dr. M. Thavanathan

1. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. G. Ejeckam, Chairman called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m. on May 24, 2005 in Room 2J705, Janeway.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MARCH 9, 2005

The minutes were adopted as circulated.

3. BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Committee Review

Dr. G. Ejeckman informed Dr. P. Power of the Committee's Terms of Reference and its objectives. There was a discussion on the evaluation of the clinical history on pathology requisitions and the progress to date.

3.2 Surgical Review Committee - Update

Dr. G. Ejeckam circulated the Surgical Review Committee - Update. After discussing the recommendations it was agreed that after some changes to forward these recommendations to Dr. R. Williams, Vice-President, Medical Services and Dr. D. Cook, Clinical Chief.

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3. BUSINESS ARISING (CONT'D):

3.2 Surgical Review Committee – Update (Cont'd):

Dr. G. Ejeckam also stated the Health Care Corporation should have a Director of QA and QC and each department have a representative to coordinate the activities.

Much discussion on the benefits of these recommendations being implemented.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Clinical History – Pathology Requisitions

Dr. G. Ejeckam informed the committee members that he sent a letter to Dr. A. Kwan and Ms. Shirley Taylor requesting the O.R. committee to adopt a policy whereby no specimen leaves the O.R. for the laboratory without adequate clinical history.

4.2 Recommendations


A discussion was held on the inadequate clinical history, problems encountered and how to resolve this issue. Some suggestions are:

- 1) Submit requisitions electronically to laboratory.
- 2) Requisitions in O.R. electronically printed with completed history and presented to surgeon for signature. This could be considered as part of the O.R. paperwork. It was agreed that the surgeon not the nurse should complete the clinical history.
- 3) It was also recommended the surgeon following the operation should complete and sign the form.

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5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.



Dr. G. Ejeckam
Chairman

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