

ERIE COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER CORPORATION  
JULY 25, 2023 MINUTES OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

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Present: Reverend Mark Blue\*, Ronald A Chapin\*, Darby Fishkin\*, Sharon Hanson, Michael Hoffert\*, James Lawicki\*, Hon. John O'Donnell, Jennifer Persico, Reverend Kinzer Pointer, Thomas J. Quatroche, Dr. Philip Stegemann, Benjamin Swanekamp

Excused: Ronald Bennett, Jonathan Dandes, Christian Johnson, Christopher O'Brien, Eugenio Russi, Michael Seaman

Also  
Present: Samuel Cloud, MD, Antony J. Colucci, III\*, Peter Cutler, Andrew Davis, Cassandra Davis, Joseph Giglia, Donna Jones, Pamela Lee\*, Charlene Ludlow, Jennifer Pugh, MD, James Turner

\*participated virtually

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I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Chair, Jennifer Persico

II. Minutes

Upon a motion made by Honorable John O' Donnell and seconded by Reverend Kinzer Pointer, the minutes of the June 27, 2023 regular meeting of the Board of Directors were unanimously approved.

III. Action Items

Resolution of the Board of Directors of Erie County Medical Center Corporation Approving Service Contracts in Excess of One Year

Moved by Jennifer Persico and seconded by Reverend Kinzer Pointer

**Motion approved unanimously**

Resolution of the Board of Directors of Erie County Medical Center Corporation Approving New York State Nurses Association Agreement

Moved by Reverend Kinzer Pointer and seconded by Reverend Mark Blue

**Motion approved unanimously**

Resolution Receiving and Filing Medical-Dental Staff Meeting Minutes

Moved by Reverend Kinzer Pointer and seconded by Sharon Hanson

**Motion approved unanimously**

## VI. Reports from the Corporation's Leadership Team

### **Chief Executive Officer and President**

Dr. Thomas Quatroche reported that patients safety indicators continue to be examined monthly and develop initiatives to ensure that we provide care at the national level. Dr. Quatroche recognized several individuals receiving outstanding performance awards during the month. Patient experience scores remain strong; ECMC scores are higher than the NYS scores and continues to exceed benchmark scores. ECMC welcomed the NYS Commissioner Dr. James McDonald and the NYS Department of Criminal Justice Services Commissioner Rossana Rosado during July. The Foundation hosted several events including Healthcare Explorers, Give716, Buffalo Subaru 4 Mile Chase and ECMC Night at the Bison. Dr. Quatroche welcomed Dr. Devinderpal Singh Randhawa who started working in the Oncology department and reported that there have been 449 new hires since the beginning of the year.

### **Chief Financial Officer**

A summary of the preliminary financial results through June 30, 2023 was reviewed and the full set of these materials are received and filed. Jonathan Swiatkowski reported improvement in inpatient surgeries, Emergency Department visits, length of stay and the number of observation cases compared with last year. In June, ECMC lost \$3.6 M. Dr. Cloud reported on the current initiatives on throughput and decreasing the observation patient rate. Discussion followed.

## V. Standing Committees

- a. **Executive Committee:** Jennifer Persico reported several Executive Committee members reaching out to NYS regarding financial assistance but having no answers to date.
- b. **Finance Committee:** There was no report given from the Finance Committee.
- c. **Buildings and Grounds Committee:** There was no report given from the Buildings and Grounds Committee.
- d. **HR Committee :** There was no report given from the HR Committee.
- e. **Quality Improvement and Patient Safety Committee:** Mr. Hoffert summarized the latest Quality Improvement and Patient Safety Committee meeting and the presentations given.

All reports except that of the Performance Improvement Committee are received and filed.

VI. Recess to Executive Session – Matters Made Confidential by Law

Moved by Reverend Kinzer Pointer and seconded by Sharon Hanson to enter into Executive Session at 5:20 p.m. to consider matters made confidential by law, including payer strategy.

Motion approved unanimously


VII. Reconvene in Open Session

Moved by Reverend Kinzer Pointer and seconded by Michael Hoffert to reconvene in Open Session at 5:46 p.m. No action was taken by the Board of Directors in Executive Session

Motion approved unanimously

Adjournment

Moved by Sharon Hanson and seconded by Reverend Kinzer Pointer to adjourn the Board of Directors meeting at 5:47 p.m.

  
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Sharon L. Hanson  
Corporation Secretary

**A Resolution of the Board of Directors of Erie County Medical Center Corporation  
Approving Service Contracts in Excess of One Year**

Approved July 25, 2023

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WHEREAS, in accordance with New York Public Authorities Law § 2879(3)(b)(ii), all agreements for services to be rendered in excess of one year (the “Applicable Contracts”) are required to be annually reviewed and approved by the Erie County Medical Center Corporation (the “Corporation”) Board of Directors (the “Board”) via resolution; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article VI, Section 20 of the Corporation By-Laws, the Corporation has delegated primary responsibility for review of these contracts to the Contracts Committee of the Board; and


WHEREAS, on July 19, 2023, the Contracts Committee met and reviewed the Applicable Contracts reviewed during the period between April 1, 2023 and June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Contracts Committee approved the ratification of the Applicable Contracts in their current form; and

WHEREAS, the Contracts Committee recommends to the Board that the Corporation approve and ratify the Applicable Contracts;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors resolves as follows:

1. The Board of Directors of Erie County Medical Center Corporation hereby approves and ratifies the Applicable Contracts described in the attachment to this Resolution.
2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

  
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Sharon L. Hanson  
Corporation Secretary

**Contracts Committee**  
**New Contracts: April 1, 2023 - June 30, 2023**

Vendor	Contract Type	Department	Effective Date	Expiration Date	Description	Annual Estimated Value
Advanced Medical Physics, PLLC	Professional Services Agreement (Extension)	Imaging	2/12/2021	1/31/2023	Extends agreement for diagnostic physics and medical nuclear physics services through 12/31/25.	\$60,280
Arc Building Partners, LLC	Services Agreement (Amendment)	Plant Operations	2/3/2023	1/31/2023	Adds Snyder Center dialysis repairs project to Arc agreement.	\$278,555
Apogee Medical Management, Inc.	Professional Services Agreement (Eighteenth Amendment)	Clinical	3/31/2022	6/30/2023	Extends the term of the underlying hospitalist agreement through September 2023.	No change; remains approximately \$9,500,000
B J Muirhead Co., Inc.	Services Agreement	Plant Operations	6/1/2023	5/31/2026	One of a number of plumbing services companies ECMCC is executing formal agreements with.	\$30,000
Dental Imaging Technologies Corp.	Maintenance Agreement	Dental	6/30/2023	6/29/2024	Servicing on dental equipment.	\$3,736
Floyd Lee Locums, Inc.	Locum Tenens Staffing Agreement	Clinical	1/12/2023	Evergreen	Staffing company to provide locum tenens services on as-needed basis.	\$30,000
FreeupMD, LLC	Locum Tenens Staffing Agreement	Clinical	1/12/2023	Evergreen	Staffing company to provide locum tenens services on as-needed basis.	\$30,000
GE Healthcare	Maintenance Agreement	Imaging	5/23/2023	5/22/2028	Maintenance on various pieces of GE equipment.	\$13,040
GE Healthcare	Maintenance Agreement	Imaging	4/20/2023	4/19/2028	Maintenance on various pieces of GE equipment.	\$7,593
Kandey Company Inc.	Services Agreement	Plant Operations	6/1/2023	5/31/2026	One of a number of plumbing services companies ECMCC is executing formal agreements with.	\$30,000
Keystone Perfusion Services, P.C.	Professional Services Agreement	Operating Room	6/1/2023	5/31/2026	Professional perfusionist services, including 1.5 FTEs and call coverage.	\$360,000
Kideney Architects P.C.	Architectural Services Agreement (27th amendment)	Plant Operations	6/21/2023	9/4/2023	Adds dental clinic renovation project to master Kideney agreement. (End date listed is end date for this specific project.)	\$17,000
MLP Plumbing and Mechanical, Inc.	Services Agreement	Plant Operations	6/1/2023	5/31/2026	One of a number of plumbing services companies ECMCC is executing formal agreements with.	\$30,000
NCH Corporation d/b/a Chemsearch	Services Agreement	Plant Operations	6/1/2023	5/31/2026	One of a number of plumbing services companies ECMCC is executing formal agreements with.	\$30,000
Neogenomics Laboratories, Inc.	Laboratory Testing Services Agreement	Lab	7/1/2023	Evergreen	Reference laboratory services.	\$15,000
Optum Pharmacy 702, LLC	340B Pharmacy Services Agreement	Pharmacy	7/1/2023	Evergreen	Pharmacy to provide 340B contract pharmacy services.	\$10,000
Ronco Specialized Systems, Inc.	Maintenance Agreement	Biomed	7/1/2023	6/30/2024	Support for Ronco biomed equipment.	\$228,533
Root Neal and Company	Services Agreement	Plant Operations	6/1/2023	5/31/2026	One of a number of plumbing services companies ECMCC is executing formal agreements with.	\$30,000
Steris Corporation	Maintenance Agreement	Biomed	6/1/2023	6/30/2025	Maintenance on various pieces of Steris equipment.	\$74,096

Stryker Sales, LLC	Maintenance Agreement	Operating Room	4/1/2023	6/27/2024	Maintenance on various pieces of Stryker endoscopy equipment.	\$71,964
Terumo Cardiovascular Systems Corporation	Maintenance Agreement	Biomed	8/1/2023	7/31/2024	Maintenance on various pieces of Terumo cardiovascular equipment.	\$8,480
University at Buffalo Pathologists, Inc.	Professional Services Agreement	Clinical	2/14/2022	2/13/2026	UB to provide clinical and administrative pathology services.	\$1,333,295
William J. Belles, M.D., P.C.	Professional Services Agreement	Clinical	12/1/2022	11/30/2025	Dr. Belles to provide clinical otolaryngology services.	[Redacted]

**Annual Review**  
**Previously approved agreements: April 1, 2022 - June 30, 2022; approved July 2022**

Arthur E. Orlick, M.D., PLLC	Professional Services Agreement (Second Amendment)	Medical	12/31/2020	12/31/2023	Extension of agreement under which Dr. Orlick provides Associate Medical Director services.	[Redacted]
Archer Medical Diagnostic Testing Inc.	Diagnostic Services Agreement	Medical	7/5/2022	7/4/2025	Vendor to provide EEG tests and monitoring services on behalf of ECMCC.	\$50,000
Cerida Investment Corp. (AnswerNet)	Telephone Answering Service Agreement	Administration	5/11/2022	Evergreen	Vendor to provide after hours call service for ECMCC outpatient physician practices.	[Redacted]
Kathryn Eberle Cohen	PEDS Services Agreement	PEDS	6/13/2022	6/12/2025	Independent contractor to provide various PEDS-related services on an as-needed basis.	\$20,000
James E. Kelly	Endorsement Agreement	Administration	4/19/2022	4/18/2025	Former quarterback Jim Kelly to provide endorsement of ECMCC's services.	[Redacted]
Rupp Baase Pfalzgraf Cunningham LLC	Engagement Letter	Legal	4/19/2022	4/18/2025	Law firm retained to represent ECMCC in connection with: bankruptcy and foreclosure, collections, corporate, environmental, general litigation, general liability litigation, & real estate and leasing.	\$250,000
Sheppard Mullin	Engagement Letter	Legal	4/26/2022	Evergreen	Specialized law firm to provide counsel to ECMCC and Kaleida regarding Great Lakes Integrated Network.	\$40,000
Steris	Maintenance Agreements	Biomed	1/1/2022	12/31/2024	Steris to perform maintenance on a number of pieces of equipment in Biomed.	\$45,028
Tri-Delta Resources Corporation	Disaster Recovery Services Agreement	IT	5/1/2022	4/30/2025	IT disaster recovery services in event of system outages.	[Redacted]
University Surgeons, Inc.	Professional Services Agreement	Medical	1/1/2022	12/31/2024	USI to provide clinical and administrative surgical services.	\$2,851,865 plus RVUs for outpatient clinic sessions, Medicare fee schedule for vascular lab inpatient, and hourly rate for vascular tech on-call services

**Annual Review**

**Previously approved agreements: April 1, 2021 - June 30, 2021; approved July 2021; reviewed July 2022**

Crickler Vending Company, Inc.	Vending Services Agreement	Administration	4/1/2021	3/31/2026	Placement of snack and drink vending machines throughout ECMCC campus and clinics.	[Redacted]
Cushman & Wakefield U.S., Inc.	Portfolio Administration Services Agreement (First Amendment)	Administration	4/12/2021	3/31/2026	Amends existing agreement to allow for C&W to establish accounts for Kaleida and ECMCC to collect payments.	No change; value remains \$18,087, plus commission based on savings resulting from audit.
Deaf Access Services, Inc.	Interpretive Services Agreement	Administration	4/15/2021	4/14/2024	Deaf interpretive services for ECMCC patients.	\$5,000
Draeger, Inc.	Services and Maintenance Agreement	Anesthesia	7/1/2021	6/30/2024	Servicing on anesthesia equipment.	\$69,950
Fortus Group Travel, Inc.	Clinical Staffing Services	Nursing	6/17/2021	Evergreen	Staffing company to provide as-needed nursing staffing services.	\$62,500
International Institute of Buffalo	Foreign Language Interpreting Services Agreement (First Amendment)	Administration	3/3/2021	Evergreen	Extension of interpretive services agreement for patients.	\$650,000
Journey's End Refugee Services	Foreign Language Interpreting Services Agreement	Administration	5/18/2021	5/17/2024	Back-up foreign language interpretive services for patients.	\$60,000
Lawley, LLC	Broker Services Agreement	Risk Management	5/1/2021	4/30/2024	Insurance brokerage and consulting services agreement.	[Redacted]
Metz Culinary Management, Inc.	Food Management Services Agreement	Administration	4/1/2021	3/31/2026	Engages Metz to provide \$1.55M for investments relating to new tray line; adds budget for 2021; adjusts measurement periods. [Note: RFP for these services is pending.]	[Redacted]
Navin Haffty	Accounts Receivable Proration Services	Finance	6/9/2021	Evergreen	Meditech accounts receivable proration services.	[Redacted]
Stanley Access Technologies	Services and Maintenance Agreement	Emergency	4/1/2021	3/31/2026	Annual maintenance on emergency room doors.	[Redacted]
WNY Transportation Services, LLC	Transportation Services Agreement (First Amendment)	Administration	2/12/2021	9/30/2023	Amendment clarifies timing of pick-ups and drop-offs.	No change; estimated value remains \$30,000.

**Annual Review**

**Previously approved agreements: April 1, 2020 - June 30, 2020; approved July 2020; reviewed July 2021 and July 2022**

Assignment America, LLC d/b/a Cross Country Staffing (formerly Cross Country Staffing, Inc. d/b/a Cross Country Healthcare Services)	Staffing Services Agreement	Human Resources	12/8/2016	Evergreen	Permits for assignment of agreement to "Assignment America, LLC d/b/a Cross Country Staffing" and extends as evergreen.	Varies based on staff placed at ECMCC
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**A Resolution of the Board of Directors of Erie County Medical Center Corporation  
Approving New York State Nurses Association Agreement**

Approved July 25, 2023

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WHEREAS, in accordance with New York Public Authorities Law § 2879(3)(b)(ii), all agreements for services to be rendered in excess of one year are required to be reviewed and approved by the Erie County Medical Center Corporation (the “Corporation”) Board of Directors (the “Board”) via resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation has negotiated the terms and conditions of a collective bargaining agreement (the “Agreement”) with the New York State Nurses Association (“NYSNA”), with such Agreement to replace the existing NYSNA agreement; and

WHEREAS, NYSNA ratified the Agreement on July 17, 2023, to be effective as of the first full pay period following this ratification; and

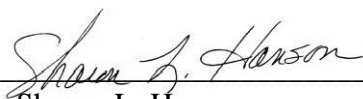
WHEREAS, the Corporation has presented the essential terms and conditions of the Agreement to the Board via the regular meeting of the Board held on July 25, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined it is in the best interest of the Corporation to execute the Agreement substantially consistent with the terms and conditions presented in the special meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Board by majority vote has approved execution of the Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors resolves as follows:

1. The Board of Directors of Erie County Medical Center Corporation hereby authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation to execute the Agreement.
2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

  
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Sharon L. Hanson  
Corporation Secretary



## Executive Conference Room/Teams Meeting

July 6, 2023

Present: Dr. Yogesh Bakhai, Dr. Ashvin Tadakamalla, Dr. Mark LiVecchi, Christopher Resetarits, CRNA, Dr. Thamer Qaqish and Dr. Richard Hall

Excused: Dr. Samuel Cloud, Dr. Robert Glover, Dr. Victor Vacanti, Dr. Mandip Panesar

Agenda Item	Discussion/Recommendation	Action	Follow-up
<b>I. CALL TO ORDER</b>	Dr. Bakhai called the meeting to order at 3:01pm	The Committee welcomed 2 new members	None
<b>II. ADMINISTRATIVE</b>			
A. Minutes	Minutes from the June 1 <sup>st</sup> meeting were reviewed and approved	Motion made, all in favor, to approve as written.	Via these minutes, the actions of the Credentials Committee are submitted to the Medical Executive Committee for review and action.
B. Deceased	None	None	None
C. Applications Withdrawn/Processing Cessation	<b><u>Internal Medicine</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lei Deng, MD- GPPC</li> <li>• Anil Gurpersaud, MD- Apogee</li> <li>• Changchuan Jiang, MD- GPPC</li> </ul>	None	None
D. Automatic Conclusion (Initial Appointment)	None	None	None
E. Name Changes	None	None	None
F. Leave of Absence (12)	<b><u>Anesthesiology</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kristen Philips, CRNA-maternity; RTW 12/28/23</li> <li>• Rachael Schultz, CRNA-maternity; RTW 07/30/23</li> </ul> <b><u>Dentistry</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Courtney Peterson, DDS-maternity; RTW 07/31/23</li> </ul> <b><u>Emergency Medicine</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Philip Van Peurse, PA-C-military; RTW 10/31/23</li> <li>• Katherine Witter, PA-C-military; RTW 10/31/2023</li> </ul> <b><u>Family Medicine</u></b>	None	Informational purposes only

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patrick Glasgow, MD-VISA; RTW 07/19/23</li> <li>Robert Reed, MD- military; RTW 07/12/24</li> <li>Nicole Seitaj, ANP-maternity; RTW 07/31/23</li> <li>Jill Tirabassi, MD-maternity; RTW 07/31/23</li> </ul> <p><b>Internal Medicine</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Saba Jafri, MD-maternity; RTW 09/01/23</li> </ul> <p><b>Psychiatry</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Laura Hanrahan, MD-maternity; RTW 8/4/23</li> <li>V. Thomas Chapin, PNP-medical leave; RTW 07/11/23</li> </ul>			
<b>G. Resignations (19)</b>		Files are updated and resignation protocol followed. The Committee discussed retention rates and Wellness Committee initiatives to investigate and manage.		Notification via these minutes to MEC, Board of Directors, Revenue Management, Decision Support	
NAME	DEPARTMENT	PRACTICE PLAN/REASON	COVERING/COLLABORATING/ SUPERVISING	RESIGN DATE	INITIAL DATE
John Doran, DO	Emergency Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UEMS</li> <li>Moving out of state</li> <li>Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	06/30/23	07/26/22
Nushin Nataneli, MD	Emergency Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UEMS</li> <li>Moving to California</li> </ul>	N/A	06/30/23	07/26/22
Julie Fasanello, FNP	Family Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UBMD</li> <li>UBMD released her and Julie did not provide the updated malpractice within the 60 days outlined by the bylaws</li> <li>Voluntary relinquishment</li> </ul>	N/A	06/26/23	02/26/13

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Pony Sokiri, PA-C	Family Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GPPC</li> <li>• Left practice plan</li> <li>• Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	07/12/23	04/26/22
Ayesha Chowdhury, MD	Internal Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apogee</li> <li>• Left practice plan</li> <li>• Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	02/22/23	09/28/21
Jason Edwards, MD	Internal Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UBMD</li> <li>• Fellowship</li> <li>• Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	06/30/23	09/29/20
Liveleen Gill, MD	Internal Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GPPC</li> <li>• Leaving Practice plan</li> <li>• Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	06/30/23	02/26/19
Kathryn Hufmeyer, MD	Internal Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UBMD</li> <li>• Moving out of state</li> <li>• Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	06/21/23	11/26/19
Mahfuz Yonis, MD	Internal Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UBMD</li> <li>• Moving out of state</li> <li>• Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	06/23/23	04/30/19
Krista Blask, PA-C	Orthopaedic Surgery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GPPC</li> <li>• Leaving Practice plan</li> <li>• Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	07/03/23	04/28/20
Zachary Puca, MD	Psychiatry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UPP</li> <li>• Was per diem</li> <li>• Confirmed on phone</li> </ul>	N/A	07/01/23	07/30/19
Puneet Gupta, MD	Radiology-Telerad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GLMI</li> <li>• Left Practice plan</li> <li>• Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	06/02/23	07/26/22
Vaseem Iqbal, MD	Radiology-Telerad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GLMI</li> <li>• Left Practice plan</li> <li>• Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	06/02/23	11/29/22
Vincent Lee, MD	Radiology-Telerad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GLMI</li> <li>• Left Practice plan</li> <li>• Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	06/02/23	06/28/22
Drew Pierce, MD	Radiology-Telerad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GLMI</li> <li>• Left Practice plan</li> <li>• Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	06/02/23	09/27/22

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Richard Thomas, MD	Radiology-Telerad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GLMI</li> <li>Left Practice plan</li> <li>Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	06/02/23	07/26/22
Kyle Fancher, DC	Rehabilitation Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>D'Youville</li> <li>Clinic is no longer at ECMC</li> <li>Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	06/15/23	09/27/22
Andrea Herold, DC	Rehabilitation Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>D'Youville</li> <li>Clinic is no longer at ECMC</li> <li>Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	06/16/23	05/24/22
Jessica Rosenbeck, PA	Surgery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>USI</li> <li>Left practice plan</li> <li>Confirmed in email</li> </ul>	N/A	07/03/23	09/25/18
<b>III. CHANGE IN STAFF CATEGORY (1)</b>					
A. Jenny Romero, MD	<u><b>Internal Medicine</b></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Changing from Active to <b>Courtesy, Refer and Follow</b></li> </ul>		The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the changes as requested.	Recommendation to the Medical Executive Committee for approval. Notification via these minutes to Revenue Management and Decision Support	
<b>IV. CHANGE/ADD DEPARTMENT</b>					
		None			
<b>V. CHANGE/ADDITION Collaborating/Supervising</b>					
		None			
<b>VI. PRIVILEGE ADDITION/ REVISION</b>					
A. Vassilios Dimopoulos, MD	<u><b>Neurosurgery</b></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adding Spinal Fusion, cervical, thoracic or lumbar with/without instrumentation</li> </ul>		The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the privilege addition as requested.	Recommendation to the Medical Executive Committee for approval. Notification via these minutes to Revenue Management and Decision Support.	

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<b>VII. PRIVILEGE WITHDRAWAL</b>			
	None		
<b>VIII. UNACCREDITED FELLOWSHIPS</b>			
	<u><b>Bariatric Surgery</b></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Megan McElfresh is being processed to start 08/01/2023</li> </ul> <u><b>Nephrology</b></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>07/06/23 received application for Dr. Muthanna Saraireh to start ASAP</li> </ul>	None	Informational purposes only
<b>IX. INITIAL APPOINTMENTS (15)</b>			
Jason Zayac, MD Anesthesiology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State University of New York at Buffalo MD June 2019</li> <li>Yale-New Haven Hospital Anesthesiology Residency July 2019 to June 2023</li> <li>Joining ECMC Anesthesiology August 2023</li> <li>American Board of Anesthesiology eligible, sitting July 2023</li> </ul>	The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the appointment with privileges granted as requested.	Recommendation, via these minutes, to the Medical Executive Committee for approval.
Syuzanna Leigh, PA-C Emergency and Family Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>D'Youville University Bachelor and Master of Science Physician Assistant December 2022</li> <li>Time gap – underwent surgery/recovery time, NCCPA exam and credentialing process December 2022 to June 2023</li> <li>Joining UBMD Emergency and Family Medicine July 15, 2023</li> <li>Supervising Physician Emergency Medicine – Dr. Maria Kaisler (1)</li> <li>Supervising Physician Family Medicine – Dr. Hui Tung Tony Lin (4)</li> <li>NCCPA certified</li> </ul>	The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the appointment with privileges granted as requested.	Recommendation, via these minutes, to the Medical Executive Committee for approval.
Marta Plonka, MD Emergency Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State University of New York at Buffalo MD June 2020</li> </ul>	The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the	Recommendation, via these minutes, to the

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences Emergency Medicine Residency June 2020 to June 2023</li> <li>Joining UEMS July 2023</li> <li>American Board of Emergency Medicine eligible, sitting October 2023</li> </ul>	appointment with privileges granted as requested.	Medical Executive Committee for approval.
Nicholas Pokoj, MD Emergency Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State University of New York at Buffalo MD June 2020</li> <li>Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences Emergency Medicine Residency June 2020 to June 2023</li> <li>Joining UEMS July 2023</li> <li>American Board of Emergency Medicine eligible, sitting TBD</li> </ul>	The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the appointment with privileges granted as requested.	Recommendation, via these minutes, to the Medical Executive Committee for approval.
Evan Shaw, MD Emergency Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State University of New York at Buffalo MD June 2020</li> <li>Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences Emergency Medicine Residency June 2020 to June 2023</li> <li>Joining UEMS July 2023</li> <li>American Board of Emergency Medicine eligible, sitting Fall 2023</li> </ul>	The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the appointment with privileges granted as requested.	Recommendation, via these minutes, to the Medical Executive Committee for approval.
Evan Walsh, DO Emergency Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine DO April 2020</li> <li>Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine Emergency Medicine Residency July 2020 to June 2023</li> <li>Joining UEMS July 2023</li> <li>American Board of Emergency Medicine eligible, sitting TBD</li> </ul>	The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the appointment with privileges granted as requested.	Recommendation, via these minutes, to the Medical Executive Committee for approval.

Sandeep Mahal, MD Family Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Universidad Central del Este, San Pedro de Macoris, Dominican Republic MD October 2014</li> <li>• Time gap – Studied for USMLE exams, Residency applications, interview October 2014 to June 2020</li> <li>• Conemaugh Memorial Medical Center Family Medicine Residency July 2020 to June 2023</li> <li>• Joining Apogee Physicians August 2023</li> <li>• American Board of Family Medicine eligible, sat for boards April 2023 pending results</li> </ul>	The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the appointment with privileges granted as requested.	Recommendation, via these minutes, to the Medical Executive Committee for approval.
Kristen Ritter, ANP Family Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daemen College Master of Science Nursing May 2015</li> <li>• Registered Nurse September 2006 to July 2015</li> <li>• Nurse Practitioner Cardiology – Catholic Health, Mercy Hospital of Buffalo July 2015 to September 2017 and Trinity Medical Cardiology, Mercy Hospital of Buffalo September 2017 to Present</li> <li>• Joining General Physicians Post Acute Care Terrace View</li> <li>• Collaborating Physician – Dr. Paul Shields (#)</li> <li>• AANP certified</li> </ul>	The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the appointment with privileges granted as requested.	Recommendation, via these minutes, to the Medical Executive Committee for approval.
Alexey Kalinin, MD Internal Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• St. George's University School of Medicine MD May 2020</li> <li>• ECFMG certificate May 2020</li> <li>• SUNY Downstate Health Sciences Center Internal Medicine Residency July 2020 to June 2023</li> </ul>	The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the appointment with privileges granted as requested.	Recommendation, via these minutes, to the Medical Executive Committee for approval.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joining Apogee Physicians August 2023</li> <li>• American Board of Internal Medicine eligible, sitting August 2023</li> </ul>		
George Neiderman, MD Internal Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Universidad Del Noreste in Tampico, Mexico MD June 1987</li> <li>• Maimonide Medical Center Supervised Clinical Training July 1987 to June 1988 (training meets the requirements of the Fifth Pathway Program), Internal Medicine Residency July 1988 to June 1991, and Nephrology Fellowship July 1991 to June 1993</li> <li>• Attending Nephrologist - Life Care Dialysis, New York, NY July 1993 to July 1994</li> <li>• Rounding Attending - July 1994 to present, Medical Director - December 2018 to present South Brooklyn Nephrology Center, Brooklyn, NY</li> <li>• Consultant – October 2016 to present, M2C Medical Group, Maimonides Medical Group, Brooklyn, NY</li> <li>• Medical Director – April 2018 to March 2019 Seacrest Dialysis, Brooklyn, NY</li> <li>• Joining UBMD Internal Medicine Nephrology July 2023</li> <li>• American Board of Internal Medicine and Nephrology certified</li> </ul>	<p>The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the appointment with privileges granted as requested.</p> <p>Flags were reviewed and application was endorsed by the Chief of Service. Vetted and resolved with approval of the Credentials Committee.</p>	Recommendation, via these minutes, to the Medical Executive Committee for approval.
David Best, MD, DDS Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• University of Michigan DDS April 2017, MD May 2020, General</li> </ul>	The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the	Recommendation, via these minutes, to the

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	<p>Surgery Residency July 2019 to June 2021, and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery July 2022 to June 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joining UB Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery July 2023</li> <li>• American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery eligible, sitting TBD 2024</li> </ul>	appointment with privileges granted as requested.	Medical Executive Committee for approval.
Joshua Nazirbage, MD Psychiatry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New York Medical College MD May 2018</li> <li>• Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences General Psychiatry Residency June 2018 to June 2021 and Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship July 2021 to June 2023</li> <li>• Joining UEMS July 2023</li> <li>• American Board of Psychiatry certified</li> </ul>	The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the appointment with privileges granted as requested.	Recommendation, via these minutes, to the Medical Executive Committee for approval.
Uzma Alam, MD Radiology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Universidad Iberoamericana School of Medicine, Santo Domingo, Dominion Republic November 1997</li> <li>• Time gap – VISA, Step 3 exam</li> <li>• ECFMG certificate January 1998</li> <li>• Metro Health Medical Center Case Western Reserve University Rotating Internship October 1998 to September 1999, Diagnostic Radiology Residency October 1999 to September 2003, and Body Imaging Fellowship October 2003 to September 2004</li> <li>• Staff Radiologist Metro Health Medical Center October 2004 to April 2007</li> </ul>	The Committee voted, all in favor, to approve the appointment with privileges granted as requested.	Recommendation, via these minutes, to the Medical Executive Committee for approval.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Time gap – personal time to move to Buffalo, NY April 2007 to February 2008</li> <li>• Staff Radiologist at Transit Imaging Associates February 2008 to November 2009</li> <li>• Director of Women’s Imaging November 2009 to July 2020 and Medical Director January 2015 to July 2020 at Buffalo MRI</li> <li>• Staff Radiologist October 2017 to present DIA</li> <li>• Joining GLMI August 2023</li> <li>• American Board of Radiology certified</li> </ul>			
<b>XI. REAPPOINTMENTS (40)</b>	See reappointment summary (Attachment B)		The Committee voted, all in favor, to recommend approval of the re-appointments listed with privileges as requested.	Via these minutes, recommendation to Medical Executive Committee for approval.
NAME	DEPARTMENT	CATEGORY	PRIVILEGES	
Brown, Dana CRNA	<b>Anesthesia</b>	AHP		
Koch, Elizabeth MD	Anesthesia	Active		
Hinchy, Nicole MD	<b>Dentistry</b>	C, R & F		
Krystofik, Grant PA Supervising: Dr. Pugh	<b>Emergency Medicine</b>	AHP		
Manka, Michael MD	Emergency Medicine	Active		
McCaul, Jennifer PA Supervising: Dr. Bart	Emergency Medicine	AHP		
Peters, Alexandra PA Supervising: Dr. Dice	Emergency Medicine	AHP		
Smith, Samanntha PA Supervising: Dr. Pugh	Emergency Medicine	AHP		
Ilahi, Maria DO	<b>Family Medicine</b>	Active		
Mathis, Sarah DO	Family Medicine	Active		
Sawyer, Rita FNP	Family Medicine	AHP		

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Collaborating: Dr. Wilkins			
Seitaj, Nicole ANP Collaborating: Dr. Evans	Family Medicine	AHP	
Slisz, Madeline PA Supervising: Dr. Shields	Family Medicine	AHP	
Springer, Scott PA Supervising: Dr. Hui Tung Tony Dr. Martinez	Family Medicine <b>Internal Medicine</b>	AHP	
Gruarin, Scott DO	Internal Medicine	Active	
Rich, Ellen MD	Internal Medicine	Active	Withdrawing 1 privilege: Admitting
Haq, Mohammad MD	Internal Medicine	Active	
Khokhar, Imtiaz MD	Internal Medicine	Active	
Ksiazek, Nicole PA Supervising: Dr. Brockman Dr. Ferguson Dr. Romanowski Dr. Perry	Internal Medicine Neurology Orthopaedic Surgery CTS	AHP	
Lawler, Nelda MD	Internal Medicine	Active	Changing staff category to Courtesy, Refer and Follow.
Vargovich, Alison PhD	Internal Medicine	AHP	
Wren, Sarah FNP Collaborating: Dr. Desai	Internal Medicine	AHP	Adding 1 new privilege: Tracheostomy tube replacement.
Stevens, Rebecca MD	<b>Obstetrics and Gynecology</b>	Active	
Goodloe, Samuel DDS MD	<b>Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery</b>	Active	
Anders, Mark MD	<b>Orthopaedic Surgery</b>	Active	Adding 3 new privilege: Fluoroscan Privilege, Mako Total Knee and MAKO partial knee.
Kuechle, Joseph MD	Orthopaedic Surgery	Active	
Orlowski, Mark PA Supervising: Dr. Callahan	Orthopaedic Surgery	AHP	
Ritter, Christopher MD	Orthopaedic Surgery	Active	
Fazili, Rafiq MD	<b>Pathology</b>	Active	
Kandel-Amatya Sirisa MBBS	Pathology	Active	
Bakhai, Yogesh MD	<b>Psychiatry and Behavioral Health</b>	Active	
Abdelhadi, Salah MD	<b>Radiology</b>	Active	
Giyamani, Ravi MD	Radiology-Teleradiology	Active	<b><u>Withdraw 2 privileges:</u></b> Nuclear Medicine: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In vivo diagnostic interpretation</li> </ul>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In vitro diagnostic interpretation</li> </ul>
Jacobson, Daniel MD	Radiology	Active	
Mitchell, Richard MD	Radiology-Teleradiology	Active	<b><u>Withdraw 1 privilege:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Special Imaging:</li> <li>Magnetic Resonance</li> </ul>
Cooper, Clairice MD	<b>Surgery</b>	Active	
Perry, Yaron MD	<b>Thoracic/Cardiovascular Surgery</b>	Active	
Rutkowski, John MD	<b>Urology</b>	Active	

XII. AUTOMATIC CONCLUSION	Reappointment Expiration					
1 <sup>st</sup> Notice	<u>Internal Medicine</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Kenton Forte, MD</li><li>Signed for reappointment letter (certified mail)</li></ul>			For informational purposes.	None necessary.	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Notice	<u>Emergency Medicine</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Meli, Rebecca, PA-C</li><li>Letting Privileges run out per Liana 8-31-2023</li></ul>			For informational purposes.	None necessary.	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Notice	None			For informational purposes.	None necessary.	
XIII. PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE EVALUATIONS	<b>JUNE FPPE</b>				All reviewed by the Chief of Service. There were no FPPE's necessary for the providers who did not meet one or more measures. The providers were notified and metrics will be tracked.	Continue to monitor.
	Departments		# completed			
	Family Medicine		2			
	Orthopaedic Sx		3			
	Urology		1			
	OVERDUE: 9					
	<b>JUNE OPPE</b>					
	Departm ent	Total number of	# of Providers who met	# of Providers who did not meet one		

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		Provider s	all measures	or more measures			
	Chiropractic	4	4	0			
	Rehab	13	13	0			
	Urology	16	16				
<b>XIV. OLD BUSINESS</b>							
A. Expirables	<b><u>Anesthesiology</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>L. Marso, CRNA H/A 6-20-2023</li> <li>R. Masters, CRNA H/A 6-9-2023</li> </ul> <b><u>Cardiac/Thoracic Surgery</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>K. VonFricken, MD Mod. Sedation 5-25-2023</li> </ul> <b><u>Emergency Medicine</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>S. Cloud, MD PALS 6-9-2023</li> </ul> <b><u>Family Medicine</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>R. Sawyer, FNP Code of Conduct 6-23-2023</li> </ul> <b><u>Internal Medicine</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>V. Kaushal, MD H/A 6-30-2023</li> <li>S. Laskowski, DO Code of Conduct 6-30-2023</li> <li>D. Patel, NP Code of Conduct 6-14-2023</li> <li>Q. Raja, MD H/A 7-5-2023</li> <li>S. Vaqar, MD Code of Conduct 6-28-2023</li> <li>A. Walker, FNP Code of Conduct 6-21-2023</li> <li>T. McDaniel, MD H/A 7-1-2023</li> <li>E. Przybyl, PA-C H/A 6-16-2023</li> <li>V. Iyer, MD ACLS 6-1-2023</li> <li>T. Dobosz, MD Health Assessment 7-1-2023</li> <li>R. Makdissi, MD Code of Conduct 6-7-2023</li> </ul> <b><u>Neurology</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>P. Sofat, MD Inf. Control 7-3-2023</li> </ul> <b><u>Oral Max Surgery</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>F. Rodems, DDS H/A 6-30-2023</li> </ul> <b><u>Orthopaedic Surgery</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>J. Gurske-Deperio, MD Inf. Control 6-25-2023</li> </ul>					For informational purposes. Practice Plans and Chiefs of Service have all been notified multiple times.	None necessary.

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	<b><u>Psychiatry</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• S. Amin, MD H/A 6-13-2023</li> <li>• D. Antonius, MD H/A 6-15-2023</li> <li>• V. Brooks, MD H/A 6-30-2023</li> <li>• P. Martin, MD Inf. Cont. 6-26-2023</li> <li>• A. Syed, DO H/A 5-27-2023</li> </ul>		
B. DEA, License, Boards	<b><u>June</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DEA- up to date</li> <li>• License- up to date</li> <li>• Boards- up to date</li> </ul> <b><u>July</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DEA- 3</li> <li>• License- 13</li> </ul> <b><u>August</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DEA- 21</li> </ul>	For informational purposes.	None necessary.
Allied Health Professional Privileging	<p>As previously discussed, the MDSO is undertaking a revision to the APP Privilege forms with a focus on specialty specific competencies. For the Committees consideration and full discussion at the August meeting: An immediate revision to all APP privileging forms to align with the Kaleida process. Benefits to ECMC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Core Competencies are available for all and are consistent.</li> <li>• Specialty specific competencies are easily added.</li> <li>• NP privilege forms can reflect the Committee's preference regarding NYS law/scope of practice regulations including changes allowable following 3600 hours of practice, collaborative relationships, language for oversight/collaborating attestation, NYS certification attestation and practice protocols.</li> </ul>	As this was just a preliminary discussion, Dr. Bakhai and Dr. Hall will assist the Committee in developing a smooth transition to "rolling this out". The Credentials Committee will discuss in further detail at the August meeting.	The Committee will be updated as to any progress
Update on 2023 Annual dues	No outstanding dues for 2023. The MDSO- Thank you for the hard work and dedication	For informational purposes.	None necessary.
<b>XIIV. NEW BUSINESS</b>			
A. Board-Dr. Chou	As reported at the April 6, 2023 Credentials Committee, Dr. Chou's Board certification expired April 1, 2023. ECMC has asked him to stay on staff and cover the clinic until 7/31/23. This will assist in patient continuity of care until his replacement is on staff.	For informational purposes.	None necessary.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please note that per the ECMC bylaws, Dr. Chou was granted a one-time 4-year extension to complete his Boards.</li> </ul>		
B. Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery	<p>3 Otolaryngology Providers have requested a change in Department. Drs. Young, Jeyapalan and Muscarella have requested that Plastic &amp; Reconstructive Surgery be their designated Department. It was discussed that the following should be considered prior to any movement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Privilege forms: Many of the privileges are available in both Departments, but will the change require the providers to maintain privileges in both Departments or will there need to be privilege form revisions to accommodate. Are all privileges transferable as described by ACGME program description and Board requirements.</li> <li>Will this change the function of the Departments as it pertains to the services provided the facility?</li> </ul>		Cheryl Carpenter and Dr. Bakhai will follow up with Dr. Cloud.
<b>XIIIV. ADJOURNMENT</b>	The meeting was adjourned at 3:59 pm		

Respectfully submitted,



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Chair, Credentials Committee