1. Title

Health Care Risk Management

2. Rule and Regulation

Sec. 1 Focus of Risk Management. All risks of loss should be minimized by risk management and prevention programs, including risks associated with the provision of health care. Health institutions and medical schools on academic campuses shall establish and maintain programs whose purpose is to promote the quality of care provided to patients. Wherever possible, the focus of these programs is to prevent loss or injury through:

1.1 Striving for quality in all aspects of patient care.

1.2 Education of all levels of staff and employees.

1.3 Providing basic elements for each institution's quality and risk management program.

1.4 Monitoring of activities resulting in loss of time, equipment and resources.

1.5 Compliance with federal, state and local codes, rules and regulations.

1.6 Coordination and integration of programs in risk management and in quality improvement.

1.7 Timely reporting of quality issues and adverse occurrences within organizations and from institutions to U. T. System Administration.

Sec. 2 Responsibility for Implementation. By this policy, each institution is hereby delegated the operational responsibility to implement a health risk management and risk prevention program which will reflect the principles stated above. Each program should reflect the principle that an effective risk management program is the responsibility of all levels of management and all personnel.

3. Definitions

Risk Management/Risk Prevention – as used in this rule includes programs dealing with medical liability and quality management.

4. Relevant Federal and State Statutes

None

5. Relevant System Policies, Procedures, and Forms

None

6. Who Should Know

Administrators

7. System Administration Office(s) Responsible for Rule

Office of Health Affairs

8. Dates Approved or Amended

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9. Contact Information

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