



MAG Medical Staff Bylaws Announcement

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Dear Doctor,

At long last, the first edition of the *MAG Model Medical Staff Bylaws* is available. This is an announcement for interested members.

Several years in development – at the cost of thousands of dollars – this comprehensive template offers the most up-to-date language protecting physician autonomy in hospitals. The template is in accordance with existing state and federal law.

The project was conceived with the realization that certain Georgia hospital systems utilize expert legal advice to recommend that organized hospital medical staffs adopt seemingly innocuous amendments. These may weaken protections for individual medical staff members and may not be in the best interests of physician-directed patient care.

The *MAG Model Medical Staff Bylaws* are available to interested members in several ways.

- 1) A copy-protected form is located in the members-only section of our Web site and is **free as a member benefit**.
- 2) A printed and spiral-bound edition can be purchased at a cost of \$50 per copy to members.
- 3) Each component medical society and individual who donated or will make a donation toward its development will receive hard copies at no charge.

We gratefully acknowledge the foresight and enabling contributions of the following medical societies, practices and individuals in the preparation of the *MAG Model Medical Staff Bylaws*:

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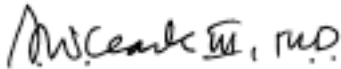
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Despite these welcomed donations, the project has not yet been fully underwritten – as it should be. Please urge your county or specialty society to make a significant contribution to help MAG fund this effort.

If you would like to obtain a first edition copy of the *MAG Model Medical Staff Bylaws*, please contact MAG's Office of the General Counsel (800.282.0224).

We believe this document will be of great assistance to leaders in the medical community wishing to re-examine and strengthen their medical staff bylaws.

Sincerely,



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President

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