TITLE: LD 5000 JPS CONNECTION PROGRAM POLICY

POLICY STATEMENT:

The Tarrant County Hospital District d/b/a JPS Health Network (JPS) shall establish a framework known as the JPS Connection Assistance Program ("Connection Program") enabling JPS to assist individuals and families legally residing in Tarrant County who are in need of medical care but lack a certain level of financial resources necessary to pay for medical services and prescriptions. John Peter Smith Hospital continues to provide emergent care for all individuals, without consideration of their ability to pay, as the facilities and resources of the District may permit and in accordance with federal and state law.

INTENT AND SCOPE

This policy is intended to set forth the purpose, scope and objectives related to the provision of care to indigent and needy patients in the Connection Program, pursuant to state enabling statutes, and to authorize the development of procedures for financial inquiry of the patient or patient relatives under the Connection Program. This policy affects the Medical Staff, all employees, and patients who are served through JPS. Exception to this policy is permitted if made in writing by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chief Operating Officer (COO), Chief Financial Officer (CFO), or a Vice President of the organization. All exceptions must conform to applicable state and federal statutes and not infringe upon the powers of the Board of Managers regarding Board policies. The Board of Managers may make exceptions to Board policies by a majority or super majority vote, as required by policy.

NOTES AND ATTACHMENTS

LD 5001 Financial Screening Procedure for JPS Connection Eligibility
LD 5002 JPS CONNECTION ASSISTANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO INSURANCE
LD 5003 JPS CONNECTION ASSISTANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO MEDICARE

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