

APPENDIX D
ACCEPTANCE/CONTINUED PARTICIPATION CRITERIA

FREE STANDING AMBULATORY SURGERY FACILITIES (ASF) LEVEL III ONLY

DEFINITIONS:

An ASF is a facility that is licensed in Michigan as a freestanding surgical outpatient facility (FSOF). The facility provides surgery as defined by state Certificate of Need (CON) standards and related care that can be performed without requiring inpatient hospital care and it is located in a structure that is other than the office of a physician or other private practice office.

Once Priority Health Contracting approves the EON, facility must submit a full application for review and must provide proof that it satisfies the following listed criteria.

1. Accreditation from one of the following recognized accrediting bodies: JCAHO (Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations), AAAHC (Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care), or AAAASF (American Association for Accreditation of Ambulatory Surgical Facilities).
2. Good standing with state and federal regulatory bodies. Must hold a valid state license as a Freestanding Ambulatory Surgical Facility.
3. Good standing under the Medicare and Medicaid programs, as applicable. As part of our ongoing commitment to a quality network, we would like to remind you of your obligation to notify Priority Health of any actions or remedies imposed by any accrediting body and/or state and federal regulatory bodies, including but not limited to Medicare and Medicaid programs, at the time of the action. **Failure to notify Priority Health at the time of any such action could result in the termination of your contracts.** Priority Health prefers organizations with accreditation; however in lieu of accreditation Priority Health may substitute a MDCH/CMS survey upon receipt of a copy of the report and if the results meet Priority Health standards and no major issues of concern are identified in the report. The Credentialing Committee will consider these results in their assessment of the organizational provider.
4. Current professional liability insurance coverage with minimum limits of \$1 million per occurrence and \$3 million aggregate.
5. An absence of a history of involvement in a malpractice suit, arbitration, or settlement; that has resulted in limitations, restrictions or actions against Accreditation or CMS standings. Organizations shall provide documentation relative to any fact or circumstance, whether or not relating to the Organizational Provider Participation Criteria, which potentially may affect the organizations ability to deliver appropriate care to members in the Priority Health network. Organizations shall not be admitted to the Priority Health Network to the extent any such facts or circumstances are determined the bear negatively upon the Organization.
9. An absence of a history of denial or cancellation of professional liability insurance; or, in the case of an organizational provider with such a history, organizational providers shall provide complete documentation relative to any denial or cancellation of professional liability insurance. Providers shall not be admitted to the Priority Health network to the extent any such denial or cancellation of professional liability insurance, together with other factors in this Appendix, is determined to bear negatively upon their professional competence or conduct, or ability to successfully participate in the network.

10. An absence of a history of (in the sole discretion of Priority Health) inappropriate utilization of medical resources.
11. Compliance with all Priority Health rules, regulations, bylaws, and the terms of its participation agreement.
12. Demonstration of its willingness to provide appropriate and necessary emergency or nonemergency medical treatment within the scope of its services to any patient seeking treatment, regardless of the patient's ability to pay.
13. Organizational providers shall not be known to have made any misrepresentation to Priority Health's Board of Directors, employees, agents, or enrollees regarding the provision of services to enrollees.
14. Organizational providers shall not have falsified information on their applications or failed to notify the Credentialing Committee regarding relevant changes in their status.
15. Organizational providers shall agree to accept assignment of responsibility for credentialing and recredentialing all physicians, nurse midwives, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and other licensed professionals whom organizational provider directly employs or contracts with per the organizational provider's credentialing and recredentialing policy.
16. Facility must participate with all Priority Health products.
17. Must have a quality improvement plan