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### CHAPTER 3. TUMOR BOARDS

#### 3.01 STATEMENT OF POLICY

A Tumor Board will be established in all VA hospitals where the nature of the patient load indicates the necessity therefor.

#### 3.02 DESIGNATION, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND FUNCTIONS

a. The Director or the Chief of Staff will have the responsibility for the designation of a Tumor Board. The board will consist of the Chiefs of Laboratory, Medical, Surgical, and Radiology Services, as permanent members, and a non-permanent member who will present each case to the board. Consultation from other specialties will be available when necessary.

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b. The chairman, who will be a permanent member of the board, will serve for a period of ~~6 months~~. ~~This office will~~ be rotated throughout the permanent membership composing the board.

c. The board will be responsible for a complete workup of each case [presented] and will make recommendations for proper treatment.

d. The chairman of the board will designate the time and the meeting place and will be responsible for the completion of adequate records, including followup. These records will be made available to other hospitals on their request.

e. The chiefs of services will have the responsibility for the presentation to the board of all [those] cases of malignant tumors, benign tumors in critical areas, [or] malignant blood dyscrasias [which present a problem in management or choice in type of therapy] and tumors of unusual interest.

*\*not less than 6 months. This office may*

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Part XIV, "Surgical Service," VA Department of Medicine and Surgery Manual M-2, "Professional Services," is changed as indicated below:

✓ Page 5, paragraph 3.02b, line 2: Delete "6 months. This office will" and insert "not less than 6 months. This office may".

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Pages 5 and 6: Remove these pages and substitute pages 5 and 6a attached.

(Par. 3.02a changed as directed by changes 2 and 8; par. 3.02 c and e changed to allow greater freedom in the choice of cases to be presented to the Tumor Board; pars. 4.01 and 4.02a changed as directed by change 8.)

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NOTE: The purpose of this change is to broaden authority for intervertebral disk surgery and to update organizational titles.

*chg 10* Page 5, paragraph 3.02a, line 1: Delete "Manager or the Director, Professional Services," and insert "Director or the Chief of Staff".

*chg 10* Page 6

Title, chapter 4: Delete "OR" and insert "OF".

Paragraph 4.01

Line 1: Delete "joint".

Line 2: Delete "and orthopedist." and insert "and/or orthopedist, according to regional or university practice."

Paragraph 4.02a

Line 1: After "neurosurgeon" insert "or orthopedist".

Line 3: Delete period and insert "and/or neurosurgeon."

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*chg 15* Page 1, paragraph 1.02 a (2) (a), lines 7 and 8: Delete "For purposes of consent, spinal puncture will be considered as a surgical operation." and insert "For consent for performance of spinal puncture, see paragraph 1.05b, part X, DM&S Manual M-2." (Spinal puncture no longer considered surgical operation for purposes of consent.)

*chg 10* Page 5, paragraph 3.02 a, line 5: Delete, "such as dermatology, gynecology, urology, and the like,".



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