

**SUMMARY OF THE REVISIONS TO THE  
BYLAWS OF THE MEDICAL STAFF  
OF  
CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL**

The substantive changes are:

1. No Pocket Veto provision. This is a provision that forces a division chief to complete an appointment and a reappointment within 15 days of receipt of the application. Currently we have a number of division chiefs who "sit" on applications that should be approved. Typically this comes about because the division chief does not have the needed information to make a determination as to continued reappointment. The provision marks such a application for reappointment as one with issues and allows the process to move forward with "escalation" to the Senior Vice President. Article Vii page 35 and Article IX Page 48. There is a DC law that requires the hospital to act on applications within 6 months of receipt assuming the application is complete. It could be argued by an applicant that is not wanted by the division chief that we are in violation of this law, hence the provision
2. Correction of wording in the impairment section.
3. We have language enabling the use of an expedited reappointment process arising from the changes to the OPPE. The OPPE now asks on an every 6 month basis whether the division chief will reappoint, if the individual were up for reappointment. If there are no issues with the application and the division chief has indicated that he/she would reappoint, then the application can go straight to the committee and skip the division chief/ SVP signature process. This means that a copy of the application, assuming it has no issues, does not need to be generated and potentially get lost while en route from the credentials office to the division chief.

There are additional minor revisions including the correction of titles of Center Executive Directors to Senior Vice Presidents, as well as the correction of a few typos in the prior version of this document.