PURPOSE: Emergent privileges for necessary Medical physicians to prevent delay in treatment to medical facility patients
*** Emergency is defined as disaster state and national government

POLICY: The Emergent situation policy will be utilized to grant privileges to treat and provide clinical services in the medical center as approved by the CEO, CMO, or the President of the Medical Staff

PROCEDURES:

I. Once disaster plan has been implemented a modified credentialing process will be utilized
   a. The MD identity will be verified through a valid government-issues photo identification (i.e., driver's license or passport)
   b. Verification can be through
      i. A picture card that clearly identifies the individual's professional designation
      ii. Current license to practice
      iii. Primary source to verification of the license
      iv. Identification that the individual has been granted authority to render patient care in disaster circumstances or is a member of a Disaster medical assistance team, the Medical Rescue Corps, or other recognized state or federal organization or groups.
      v. Identification by a current Medical center employee or Medical staff appointee who possess personal knowledge regarding the individual's ability

II. Primary Source verification shall begin as soon as the immediate situation is under control and must be completed within 72 hours from time he, she began to provide service to the Medical Center

III. In extraordinary circumstances when primary source verification cannot be completed within 72 hours, it should be completed as soon as possible.

IV. The Medical staff will oversee the care provided by the licensed independent practitioners. The oversight shall be conducted through direct observation, mentoring, clinical record review, or other appropriate mechanism developed by the Medical staff and Medical Center