

# South Carolina Medical Malpractice Association

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## ALLIED HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE APPLICATION

Assessable Policy

### Instructions

1. Please answer ALL questions completely, leaving no blanks. (Use N/A if Not Applicable)
2. If more space is needed for responses, please use the *Additional Comments Section* of this application, or continue on a separate sheet with the question noted.
3. The application must be signed and dated by the applicant and the applicant's insurance agent or broker.
4. Please submit the completed application form, along with required attachments and any additional information to the applicant's insurance agent or broker.
5. Please contact the SCMMA Underwriting Department if you have any questions.

**Important:** No action can be taken on this application until it is complete. "Complete" means all questions have been answered, with separate explanations provided as requested. It must be signed and dated in the appropriate places, and ALL documents listed in Section A must be attached.

### A. REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS:

1.  Copy of **current medical professional liability insurance declarations page** showing the type of policy form and current retroactive date.
2.  Verification of or intent to obtain **Extended Reporting Endorsement** (tail coverage) from current carrier if prior coverage was claims made.
3.  Copy of **Curriculum Vitae** (CV/resume).
4.  Copy of **business letterhead**.
5.  **Loss runs** from all previous professional liability insurers for not less than the prior 10 years. The evaluation or date of issue of such loss runs may not be more than 60 days old.
6.  **National Practitioner Databank Report** (<http://www.npdb.hrsa.gov> or 1-800-767-6732) The evaluation or date of issue of such loss runs may not be more than 60 days old.

### B. AGENT / BROKER INFORMATION

7. The completed application must be submitted to applicant's insurance agent or broker. Please record the name and contact information of applicant's agent or broker below.

Agent/Broker Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (Street or PO Box): \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Contact E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>For MMA Use Only</b>	Rating Class		Other Charges		Policy Fee	
	Endorsements				Final Premium	

**C. PERSONAL INFORMATION**

8. Check if you are a:
- |  |   |  |   |
|--|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anesthesia Assistant            | <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse Midwife                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Optometrist         | <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Nurse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse Anesthetist               | <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse Practitioner             | <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacist          |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse Anesthetist - Independent | <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse Practitioner-Independent | <input type="checkbox"/> Physician Assistant |   |
- Midlevel Shared Limits (**Midlevel Shared Limits Request Form must be submitted with this application**)
9. Full name of applicant:
- First: \_\_\_\_\_
- Middle: \_\_\_\_\_
- Last: \_\_\_\_\_
10. Gender:  Male  Female
11. Date of birth (M/D/Y): \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_
12. Home Address:
- Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. / Unit #: \_\_\_\_\_
- City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_
13. Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ 13a. Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_
14. Email address: \_\_\_\_\_
15. May we contact you by e-mail:  Yes  No      15a. May we contact you by fax?  Yes  No
16. Preceptor Physician Name & Policy Number: \_\_\_\_\_
17. Preceptor Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**D. PRACTICE LOCATION(S) AND CONTACT INFORMATION:**

*Purpose of MMA Policy (practice entity where you will be using the MMA policy for coverage):*

18. The precise name of applicant’s practice entity:
- Name: \_\_\_\_\_
19. Practice physical address:
- Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Suite / Unit #: \_\_\_\_\_
- City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_
20. Telephone#: \_\_\_\_\_ 20a. Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_
21. Practice email address: \_\_\_\_\_
22. May we contact you by e-mail:  Yes  No      22a. May we contact you by fax?  Yes  No
23. Practice Entity Web Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Secondary Practice Location: (Will you be using the MMA policy for coverage at this location also?  Yes  No)**

24. The precise name of applicant’s secondary practice entity:
- Name: \_\_\_\_\_
25. Secondary practice physical address:
- Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. / Unit #: \_\_\_\_\_
- City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

26. Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ 26a. Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_
27. Secondary Practice Entity Web Address: \_\_\_\_\_
28. Preferred Billing Address:  Home  Primary office  Secondary office  Other  
 28a. If "Other", please provide address: \_\_\_\_\_
29. Do you have additional office locations not listed above?  Yes  No  
 29a. If "Yes", list additional office locations in the *Additional Comments Section* of this application or on a separate sheet and indicate if you will be using the MMA policy for coverage at these locations.

**E. COVERAGE SELECTION:**

30. Have you been insured by the SCMMA or SCJUA/SCPCF previously?  Yes  No  
 30a. If "Yes": Prior policy #: \_\_\_\_\_ 30b. Dates of coverage (M/Y): \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_
31. This application is for a:  New Policy  Rewrite  Renewal
32. **IMPORTANT: Desired Policy Limits**

**Please select and initial your choice of limits below:**

- \$1,000,000 each Medical Incident / \$3,000,000 Annual Aggregate \_\_\_\_\_
- \$1,200,000 each Medical Incident / \$3,600,000 Annual Aggregate \_\_\_\_\_
- \$2,000,000 each Medical Incident / \$4,000,000 Annual Aggregate \_\_\_\_\_
- \$3,000,000 each Medical Incident / \$6,000,000 Annual Aggregate \_\_\_\_\_

33. Please indicate the type of coverage you are applying for:
- 33a.  **Occurrence coverage**
- 33b.  **Claims-made coverage WITHOUT** prior acts coverage  
 If selecting 33b, please select one of the following:
- 33bi.  An Extended Reporting Endorsement (tail coverage) is automatic or will be purchased from my current carrier.  
*Important: If previously insured on a claims-made basis, failure to obtain an Extended Reporting Endorsement will leave you without prior acts coverage.*
- 33bii.  My current policy is Occurrence coverage therefore *Prior Acts Coverage* is not applicable.
- 33c.  **Claims-made coverage WITH** prior acts coverage (subject to restrictions and underwriting approval)  
 If selecting 33c, please complete the following:
- 33ci. Requested prior acts date (M/D/Y): \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_  
 This date cannot be prior to the retroactive date shown on your current policy.
34. **Effective Date:** Requested coverage effective date (M/D/Y): \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ 12:01 a.m.  
 This date cannot be prior to the expiration date of your current policy. Annual policy terms begin and end on the same day of the month.
35. **Expiration date:** Requested coverage expiration date (M/D/Y): \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ 12:01 a.m.  
 Annual policy terms begin and end on the same day of the month.

**F. RATING INFORMATION:**

36. Have you ever failed any licensing or Board Certification or recertification examination?  Yes  No  
 36a. If "Yes", provide name(s) of exam(s) and number of times failed in the *Additional Comments Section*.
37. Have there been any changes in your specialty, classification, or practice activity within the past five years?  Yes  No  
 37a. If "Yes", describe the nature of the change(s) in the *Additional Comments Section*.
38. Do you assist in Major Surgery?  Yes  No  
 38a. If "Yes",  own patients only  on patients of others.
39. On the next page, please check all procedures that you provide. Failure to properly complete Page 4 may impair your coverage.

- Elective Abortions
  - Prescribe Preven, or related derivatives
  - Prescribe Mifepristone, or related derivatives in combination with cytotec
- Acupuncture
- Anesthesia
  - Spinal
  - Caudal
  - General
  - Local
  - Conscious Sedation
- Angiography
- Angioplasty
- Appendectomy
- Arteriography
- Arthroscopy
- Assist in Major Surgery
  - On Own patients
  - On Patients of Others
- Bariatric surgery
- Biopsy
  - Breast Biopsy
  - Kidney Biopsy
  - Lung Biopsy
  - Prostate Biopsy
- Blepharoplasty
- Breast Implants
  - Cosmetic
  - \_\_\_\_\_% of practice
  - Reconstructive
  - \_\_\_\_\_% of practice
- Bronchoscopy
- Cardiac – major surgery
- Cardiovascular disease – major surgery
- Chelation therapy (is excluded under this policy)
- Chemonucleolysis
- Cholecystectomy
- Cholecystectomy, Laparoscopic
- Circumcision (other than newborns)
- Colon and rectal-major surgery
- Colonoscopy
- Colposcopy
- Critical Care Specialist
- Cryosurgery (other than external lesions)
- Dermatological Surgery/Other Procedures
  - Botox
  - Chemical peels
  - Chemabrasion
  - Collagen Injections
  - Cryosurgery (superficial only)
  - Dermabrasion
  - Eye liner pigmentation
  - Fat Transfer
  - Hair transplants
  - Laser Hair Removal
  - Laser Skin Resurfacing
  - Microdermabrasion
  - Silicone Injections
  - Tumescent or Smart Liposuction
  - Mohs Surgery
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_

- D&C
- Dermatopathology
- Echocardiography
- Electrocardiography
- Emergency medicine
- Encephalography
- Endoscopic Laser Therapy
- Endoscopy other than Proctoscopy, Sigmoidoscopy, Colposcopy and Cystoscopy
- ERCP / EGD / ERC
- Exchange Transfusions in Newborns
- How many per year? \_\_\_\_\_
- Fertility Treatment
- Fluoroscopy
- Fracture Reductions
  - Open
  - Closed
- Gastroscopy
- General – major surgery
- Gynecology – major surgery
- Hand – major surgery
- Head and neck – major surgery
- Hemorrhoidectomy
- Hernia repair
- Hip nailings
- Hospitalist
- Hyperbaric Medicine
- Hysterectomy
- Hysteroscopy
- Intensivist
- Intensive care for newborns within a Tertiary Care Unit
- Laminectomy
- Laparoscopy
- Laryngology – major surgery
- Laser Surgery
- Left Heart Catheterization
- Liposuction
- Lithotripsy
- Lumbar Fusion
- Mammography
- Myelography
- Myomectomy
- Neonatology
- Neurology – major surgery
- Norplant Insertion/Extraction
- Obstetrics/Gynecology – major surgery
  - Normal deliveries
  - C-Sections
  - VBAC
  - By induction?  Y  N
  - Induction agent: \_\_\_\_\_
- Ophthalmology – major surgery
- Organ Transplant
- Orthopedic – major surgery
  - With Back & Spine
  - No Back & Spine
- Osteopathic manipulative medicine
- Otolaryngology – major surgery
  - Including elective cosmetic procedures
  - Not including elective cosmetic procedures

- Pain Management
  - Medication Only
  - IDD Therapy
  - Facet Blocks
  - Selective Nerve Root Blocks
  - Rhizotomy
  - Spinal Injections
  - Dorsal Root Gangliotomies
  - Thoracic Sympathectomies
  - Spinal Cord Stimulators
  - Implantation/Removal of Drug Infused Pumps
  - Sphenopalatine Lesioning
  - Trigeminal Lesioning
  - Cordotomies
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Pedicle Screws for Spinal Surgery
- Percutaneous vertebroplasty
- Permanent Pacemaker
- Plastic – major surgery
- Polypectomy
- Prenatal Care (Past 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester)
- Prolotherapy
- Radiation/X-ray Therapy
- Radiopaque Dye
- Rapid Opiate Detoxification
- Rhinology – major surgery
- Robotics utilized
- Roux-en-y
- Sclerotherapy
- Scoliosis Surgery
- Shock Therapy
- Sterilization procedures
- Thoracic surgery \_\_\_\_\_%
- Thyroidectomy
- Tonsillectomy/adenoidectomy
- Transgender surgery and/or hormonal gender conversion
- Trigger point injections
- Tubal ligation
- Urgent Care Medicine
- Urology – major surgery
- Vascular surgery \_\_\_\_\_%
- Vasectomy
- Weight Control \_\_\_\_\_%
  - Bariatric Bypass
  - Gastric Bubble or Jejunio-Ileal Bypass
  - Gastric Stapling
  - Gastric Banding
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - Medications Prescribed (please list): \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
- None of the above applies to my practice.
- Other Procedures (List): \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

**G. PRACTICE INFORMATION**

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40. Indicate the average weekly numbers under each of the following categories.  
 40a. Number of scheduled patients seen per week: \_\_\_\_\_  
 40b. Number of walk-in patients seen per week: \_\_\_\_\_  
 40c. Number of hours worked per WEEK: \_\_\_\_\_
41. Are you applying for part time coverage?  Yes  No  
 41a. If "Yes", please indicate the number hours worked per MONTH: \_\_\_\_\_  
 41b. If "Yes", please provide name and contact information for individual the SCMMA may contact for audit of records:  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 41c. Check applicable part time level for which you are applying:  
 50% discount (up to 21 hours per month)  40% discount (22 to 43 hours per month)  30% discount (44 to 85 hours per month)
42. Are you employed full-time or part-time by the Federal, State, or Local Government or are you in active duty in the military services?  Yes  No  
 42a. If "Yes", do you have coverage under a separate policy for this exposure?  Yes  No  
 42b. If "Yes", provide details in the Additional Comments Section and note if coverage is provided by the Federal Tort Claims Act. Attach verification of coverage, if applicable.
43. Do you perform medical or surgical procedures at a surgery center, office-based surgical suite, or similar facility?  Yes  No  
 43a. If "Yes", do you have coverage under a separate policy for this exposure?  NA  Yes  No  
 43b. If "Yes", provide details in the *Additional Comments Section* and attach verification of coverage, if applicable.
44. Do you perform consultations outside the state of your primary office location, including but not limited to the use of telecommunication technology as the medium for rendering medical services, medical opinions or medical advice (telemedicine or internet medicine)?  Yes  No  
 44a. If "Yes", do you have coverage under a separate policy for this exposure?  Yes  No  
 44b. If "Yes", provide details in the *Additional Comments Section* and attach verification of coverage.
45. Do you review treatment of or provide professional services to any state, local or federal correctional facility, jail, prison or inmates?  Yes  No  
 45a. If "Yes", do you see these patients: (Please check one.)  in your office, or  at the correctional facility?
46. Are you engaged in "moonlighting" activities or performing activities other than reported above which will be covered by another professional liability policy?  Yes  No  
 46a. If "Yes", provide details in the *Additional Comments Section* and attach verification of coverage.

**H. PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION:**

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47. Please answer "Yes" or "No" to all of the questions on Section "H". If your answer is "Yes" to any of the questions in this section, please indicate the date and state (if applicable) where action occurred. Please give full details on the *Additional Comments Section*. (Note: The "numerical sequence" of questions in this section is intentionally different from the rest of the application.)
- A. 1. Have you had a denial, restriction, suspension, probation, or revocation of privileges by a hospital or other health care facility?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes": Date: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Have you entered into any consent agreement that has adversely affected your privileges with any formal committee of a hospital or other health care facility?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes": Date: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Have you had a denial, restriction, suspension, probation, or revocation of your privileges to prescribe medications by the Drug Enforcement Administration?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes": Date: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

- B.**
1. Have you had a denial, restriction, suspension, probation, or revocation of your license to practice medicine by any State Licensing Board or been issued a public reprimand?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes": Date: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Have you entered into a consent agreement related to your license with any State Licensing Board or any other medical review committee in your field of practice?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes": Date: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_
  3. Have you been convicted of or pled guilty to any misdemeanor or driving under the influence (excluding minor traffic violations)?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes": Date: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_
  4. Do you prescribe or administer substances that are not FDA approved, perform procedures that are considered experimental, or perform procedures for which you do not have appropriate training or are not board certified?  Yes  No
  5. Have you had an injury, illness, or other event occur that may impair your ability to practice?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes": Date: \_\_\_\_\_
  6. Have you been declined, non-renewed, or cancelled by an insurance carrier with cause (excluding market withdrawal)?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes": Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Insurance carrier: \_\_\_\_\_
  7. Have you experienced a medical incident or alleged injury in which there is no reasonable defense and failed to report it to your insurance carrier within 30 days of the occurrence?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes": Date of incident/alleged injury: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Date reported: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_  
 Insurance carrier: \_\_\_\_\_
  8. Have you ever been evaluated for, recommended for treatment of, diagnosed with or treated for alcohol, narcotics or any other substance abuse, sexual addiction, anger management or any mental illness, including but not limited to depression?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes", has a relapse occurred following your initial treatment?  Yes  No
- C.**
1. Have you been found by a court of law or State Licensing Board to have participated in any sexual misconduct with a patient?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes": Date: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Have you been convicted of or pled guilty to a felony, convicted of or pled guilty to a criminal offense for which one of the elements is fraud or misrepresentation, or have you ever been charged, indicted, convicted, received a deferred prosecution, received a deferred judgment or sentence, entered a guilty plea, entered a plea of nolo contendere or been placed on adult diversion for any violation of any law?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes": Date: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_
- Note: Answer "yes" even if the charge(s) or action was ultimately dismissed, expunged, pardoned or the matter was not prosecuted. It is unnecessary to report traffic offenses that do not involve alcohol or drugs.
3. Have you been accused of or been found to have altered health care records?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes": Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**I. MEDICAL TRAINING AND WORK HISTORY:**

48. Professional or Technical School Information:

	Name of Professional or Technical School(s) Attended	Location	Degree	Date Graduated
48a.				
48b.				
48c.				

49. List all states where you are licensed to practice medicine and your license numbers: **Important:** 80% of your practice must be in South Carolina. We will allow 20% of your practice to be across the state line. This typically occurs in the border areas of Charlotte (Rock Hill); Augusta (North Augusta); and Savannah (Hilton Head). **All** out of state exposure must have prior approval by the MMA.

	State	License Number	Status Code	Percentage (%) of Patients Seen, Examined or Treated in Each State.
49a.				
49b.				
49c.				

\*Status Code - **A** = Active, **I** = Inactive, **P** = Pending, **T** = Temporary

50. Work History:

List all locations (City and State) where you have practiced in the last five years. List most recent location first. Do not include training programs but include all moonlighting positions.	Start Date and End Date (m/y)

**J. PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE HISTORY:**

51. Have you ever practiced without professional liability coverage?  Yes  No  
 51a. If "Yes", provide details in the *Additional Comments Section*.
52. If previously insured on a claims-made form, have you ever failed to obtain Extended Reporting Coverage (tail coverage)?  NA  Yes  No  
 52a. If "Yes", provide details in the *Additional Comments Section*.
53. Have you ever had your request for coverage denied, your policy cancelled or non-renewed or had a policy issued to you that contained restrictions or special exclusions?  Yes  No  
 53a. If "Yes", provide details in the *Additional Comments Section*.

54. Please provide information on your Professional Liability Insurance carrier for the previous five years:

**Important:** If you are a new applicant, this section must be completed.

	Current Coverage	First Year Prior	Second Year Prior	Third Year Prior	Fourth Year Prior
Name of Carrier					
Form of Coverage	<input type="checkbox"/> Occurrence <input type="checkbox"/> Claims-Made	<input type="checkbox"/> Occurrence <input type="checkbox"/> Claims-Made	<input type="checkbox"/> Occurrence <input type="checkbox"/> Claims-Made	<input type="checkbox"/> Occurrence <input type="checkbox"/> Claims-Made	<input type="checkbox"/> Occurrence <input type="checkbox"/> Claims-Made
Effective Date					
Expiration Date					
Retroactive Date (NA for occurrence)					
Was Extended Reporting Coverage obtained?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA

**K. PRACTICE ORGANIZATION:**

55. Please check the boxes under 55a and 55b that best describe your primary practice affiliation(s):

55a. **Employment Status**

- Employee
- Shareholder/partner
- Independent contractor
- Solo unincorporated/sole proprietor
- Intern/resident/fellow
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

55b. **Entity Type**

- Professional association
- Multi-shareholder corporation, partnership, LLC
- Solo incorporated - no employed or contracted dentists
- Hospital owned
- Government owned
- Industrial
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

56. Name of primary practice/entity organization: \_\_\_\_\_

57. Is the purpose of the entity named in question 56 other than a medical office practice?  Yes  No

58. Does the entity named in question 56 currently maintain professional liability coverage?  Yes  No

58a. If "Yes", is this coverage:  Occurrence, or  Claims-Made?

58b. If "Claims-Made", what is the retroactive date used by the current carrier (M/D/Y): \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

59. Date of Incorporation (M/D/Y): \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

60. Federal Tax Identification Number: \_\_\_\_\_

61. Are you in any way affiliated with a Medical Spa or Weight Loss Facility?  Yes  No

61a. If "Yes", please explain in the *Additional Comments Section*.

62. **Do you desire coverage for the business entity named in question 56 above?**  Yes  No

62a. If "Yes", do you wish to share your individual policy limits with this business entity?  Yes  No

If "No", and separate limits are desired, you must purchase a separate practice entity policy.

63. **Do you wish to add the Employees as Additional Insureds Endorsement?**  Yes  No

The **Employees as Additional Insureds Endorsement** ("Staff Coverage") extends individual coverage to *eligible* employees for claims that arise from duties performed within the scope of their work for the practice. It also extends coverage to the employer for vicarious liability that may be imputed to them by these employees' actions. *Eligible* employees include RNs, LPNs, surgical techs, medical assistants, lab techs, X-ray techs, hygienists, dental assistants, and administrative staff.

**IMPORTANT:** Physicians, dentists, podiatrists, optometrists, pharmacists, chiropractors, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurse midwives, nurse anesthetists, anesthesia assistants, and perfusionists are **NOT** eligible for individual coverage under this endorsement.

All of the above (except chiropractors and perfusionists) may apply for individual coverage from the MMA. Different applications may be required depending on medical specialty. Contact the MMA Underwriting Department or visit [www.scmma.net](http://www.scmma.net) for more information and applications.



**L. CLAIMS HISTORY:**

**Important:** The words "claim" and "circumstance" as used in Questions 64 and 65 following refer to:

- a. Any demand for damages, resolved or pending, regardless of the result, arising from your professional activity and brought against you or any professional corporation or partnership; or
- b. Circumstances which have been brought to your attention by a patient or representative of a patient, in such a manner as to indicate the possibility of legal action against you or any professional corporation or partnership including by not limited to: a letter from an attorney or a patient requesting medical records or expressing dissatisfaction regarding your medical treatment, or intent to pursue a claim or file a lawsuit against you, a patient or family member's dissatisfaction with the outcome of a procedure, treatment, or diagnosis and/or any other circumstances that might reasonably lead to a claim or suit.

**Important:** Please complete the attached *Malpractice Claims History Explanation Form on the following page* for each case reported in 64a-iii (below).

64. Are you now or have you ever been involved in a malpractice claim or suit, either directly or indirectly?  Yes  No  
 64a. If "Yes", please indicate number of cases below:

Location (County and State)

- i. Current number open: \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. Current number closed: \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. Total number of cases: \_\_\_\_\_ (i +ii)

64b. If "Yes", have all been reported to your current or prior professional liability insurer?  NA  Yes  No

65. Other than the claims/suits indicated in question 64 above, are you aware of any incident, claim, potential claim, or suit in which you may become involved, including without limitation, knowledge of any alleged injury arising out of the rendering or failure to render professional service which may give rise to a claim even if you believe the claim or suit would be without merit?  Yes  No

65a. If "Yes", how many? \_\_\_\_\_ (Please attach details of each circumstance.)

65b. If "Yes", have all been reported to your current or prior professional liability insurer?  NA  Yes  No

65c. If all have **not** been reported to your current or prior professional liability insurer, please explain in *Additional Comments Section* or on separate sheet.

66. Have you ever had an adverse outcome that may have resulted in the following:
- any neurological, sensory, or systemic deficits to a patient (such as brain damage, permanent paralysis, loss of sight or hearing, etc.)  Yes  No
  - permanent damage to a patient related to an injury during the delivery of a child or as the result of the administration of anesthesia.  Yes  No
  - limitations on a patient's activities of daily living (including the loss of a limb).  Yes  No
  - the death of a patient.  Yes  No

**M. MALPRACTICE CLAIMS HISTORY EXPLANATION FORM:**

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**Important:** Please photocopy this form as needed and complete one for EACH case, potential claim, or suit reported that is referenced in questions 64 and 65 above. All questions must be answered or marked not applicable (NA).

Patient's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of incident and your treatment (M/D/Y): \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Name of insurance carrier: \_\_\_\_\_ File number: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of insurance carrier: \_\_\_\_\_

Date reported to insurance company (M/D/Y) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Date of incident, treatment and/or surgery (M/D/Y): \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Allegations:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Did you in any way alter, embellish, delete, change, and/or destroy any records, medical or otherwise, or were allegations made that you did so, pertaining to this claim?  Yes  No

What is the status of this matter?  Open  Closed

If "closed" was matter closed with your consent?  NA  Yes  No

(Check applicable description below)

- |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Incident report only           | <input type="checkbox"/> Suit threatened, no action taken | <input type="checkbox"/> Suit filed but dropped by claimant     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Summary judgment in your favor | <input type="checkbox"/> Jury verdict in your favor       | <input type="checkbox"/> Jury verdict in favor of the plaintiff |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Suit settled out of court      | <input type="checkbox"/> Suit filed awaiting mediation    | <input type="checkbox"/> Suit filed awaiting court action       |

If closed, amount of total loss payment paid on your behalf: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date paid: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

If open, amount of case value (loss reserve) established by carrier: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional comments regarding this claim:

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**O. AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZATION:**

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\_\_\_\_\_ A. I hereby represent that I have no knowledge of any professional liability suit or stated demand for damages  
Initial here which has been asserted against me, or of any occurrence or circumstance likely to result in such a suit or demand for damages, except as described herein.

B. It is important to understand the difference between Occurrence Coverage and Claims-Made coverage.

1. Occurrence Coverage:

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that occurrence coverage will respond to incidents that occur during the policy period without  
Initial here any consideration for the date a claim is filed with the insurance company.

2. Claims-Made Coverage:

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that claims-made coverage will respond to incidents that take place on or after the prior acts  
Initial here date ("retroactive date") of the policy and which are reported to the insurance company during the policy period. Claims-made coverage involves a step process with the premium increases over the first five years of coverage following the retroactive date in increments proportional to the claims reporting for that experience. The initial premium and subsequent years' premium are lower than an occurrence policy. However, as of the fifth year the claims-made premium reaches a mature level and premium adjustments are based on annual rate changes only. If coverage is discontinued, a Reporting Endorsement ("Tail Coverage") must be purchased to provide coverage for claims which may have occurred but have not yet been reported.

\_\_\_\_\_ C. Signing this application does not bind the MMA to complete the insurance but it is agreed that I hereby  
Initial here warrant that the information contained in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that this application shall be considered a part of the terms and conditions of my policy with the South Carolina Medical Malpractice Association and that my MMA Policy is issued in reliance upon the truth of such representations and that my policy and my application therefore embody all agreements existing between myself and the MMA or any of its brokers/agents relating to this insurance.

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Signature of MMA Applicant

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Date

**Agent/Broker must sign this application -**

I certify that I am duly licensed by an insurer authorized in South Carolina to write liability insurance other than automobile.  
I certify that I have reviewed this application.

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Signature of Agent/Broker

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Date

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