



**MEMO**

**TO:** All Pathologists, HSC and St. Clare's Mercy Hospital  
**FROM:** Dr. G. Ejeckam, Chairman, Surgical Pathology Review Committee  
**DATE:** April 21, 2003  
**RE:** Surgical Review Committee

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As you may be aware a Surgical Review Committee has been inaugurated for the HCCSJ hospitals. This will require that pathologists flag cases suitable for discussion in the Committee. From our standpoint incomplete surgical pathology request forms meet the criteria for review. In particular cases that have:

1. No or relevant clinical history.
2. No site of tissue,
3. Absence of working clinical diagnosis especially for major surgical specimens.
4. All cases where the clinical diagnosis vary very significantly from the pathologic diagnosis.

From the clinical point, incomplete surgical reports which include absence of tumor grading and staging are reviewable. At the moment a retrospective review of certain number of uterine malignancy to include clinical and surgical pathology reports will be carried out as a pilot project.

As agreed in a preliminary discussion at the General Hospital, the letters SR and encircled in red ink should be written on the top right hand corner of the request form of cases that meet reviewable criteria. This will enable the secretaries to recognize these cases and place photocopies in a Surgical Review Committee file.

Your kind and active cooperation will be appreciated.

Thank you.

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