

**POLICY ON
ADVANCED PRACTICE AND ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS**

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APPENDIX C

Those individuals currently practicing as Category III practitioners at the Hospital are as follows:

Hospital	Category III Practitioners
Emory Johns Creek Hospital	Orthopedic Technicians Certified, Non-Hospital Employed Registered Nurses
Emory Saint Joseph's Hospital	Non-Hospital Employed Registered Nurses
Emory University Hospital	Orthopedic Technicians Certified
Emory University Hospital Midtown	Orthopedic Technicians Certified