

Name of Policy: Cardiothoracic Surgery Services - Ages Served Policy Number: 3364-124-72 Approving Officer: Chief Nursing Officer, Chief Executive Officer Responsible Agent: Chief Nursing Officer, Medical Program Director, Open Heart Surgery Scope: University of Toledo Medical Center, Operating Room/Perioperative Services		 Effective date: 1/2026 Original effective date: June 2009	
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(A) Policy statement

The cardiothoracic surgery service may perform cardiothoracic surgery on patients aged 18-22 years, or less than 18 years of age if the patient’s attending physician and the Medical Director of the cardiothoracic surgery service determine that such service will benefit the patient.

(B) Purpose of policy

(A) The purpose is to comply with the provision (A) rules 3701-84-36 – 3701-84-40 of the Ohio Administrative Code. The code is applicable to open heart surgery services performing procedures on adult patients greater than or equal to eighteen years of age. An open - heart surgery service may serve a patient less than eighteen years of age if the patients attending physician and the program medical director determine that the adult service best serves the needs of the patient.

(C) Procedure

1. The Cardiothoracic Surgery Medical Director or his/her designee will contact the patient’s attending of record and/or cardiologist and discuss the pending case.
2. After such discussion with the patient’s attending physician, the Medical Director or his/her designee will notify the cardiothoracic surgery scheduler to schedule surgery.

<p>Approved by:</p> <p>/s/</p> <hr/> <p>Daniel Barbee Chief Executive Officer</p> <p>1/20/2026</p> <hr/> <p>Date</p> <p>/s/</p> <hr/> <p>Kurt Kless Chief Nursing Officer</p> <p>1/20/2026</p> <hr/> <p>Date</p> <p>/s/</p> <hr/> <p>Jai Lee, MD Medical Program Director – Open Heart Surgery</p> <p>1/20/2026</p> <hr/> <p>Date</p> <p><i>Review/Revision Completed by: Operating Room Management Director, Cardiovascular Service Nursing Administration</i></p>	<p>Policies Superseded by This Policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>None</i> <p>Initial effective date: <i>June 2, 2009</i></p> <p>Review/Revision Date: <i>October 30, 2012 May 1, 2016 March 1, 2019 June 1, 2022 1/2026</i></p> <p>Next review date: 1/2029</p>
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