Effective immediately, CBH will not require resident physicians working under a training license to obtain National Practitioner Databank (NPDB) reports, as long as they are not a member of the medical staff.

Per the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Whether a hospital is required to query on an intern or resident depends upon whether the intern or resident is a member of the medical staff. Health care entities are not required to query the NPDB on medical and dental residents, interns, or staff fellows (collectively referred to as housestaff), even though they are often licensed, when they are trainees in structured programs of supervised graduate medical education and not members of the medical staff.

However, hospitals are required to query on housestaff when such individuals are appointed to the medical staff or granted clinical privileges to practice outside the parameters of the formal medical education program (e.g., moonlighting in the intensive care unit or emergency department of that hospital).

HHS NPDB Guidebook, D 5-7, 2015.

Physicians with full privileges continue to be required to obtain an NPDB report. This requirement applies to all physicians working in the CBH network, regardless of level of care. Please direct any questions regarding this Notification to CBH.ComplianceContact@phila.gov.