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PURPOSE

To provide a description of the responsibilities of medical staff members who agree to have residents and fellows assigned to the care of their patients.

POLICY STATEMENT

Children's Hospital & Medical Center Medical Staff members who wish to participate in the resident and fellow service program "demonstrate sound clinical and teaching abilities, support of the goals and objectives of the program, commitment to their own continuing education, and participation in scholarly activities". They must be willing to contribute adequate time to the program to meet the educational needs of the residents as evidenced by 1) from the time of admission through discharge are interacting with the residents assigned to their patients' care and 2) evaluating the resident's performance in accordance with the program requirements.

"The residency program requires its residents to obtain competencies in the following areas:

- Patient care that is compassionate, appropriate, and effective for the treatment of health problems and the promotion of health;
- Medical knowledge about established and evolving biomedical, clinical, and cognate (e.g. epidemiological and social-behavioral) sciences and the application of this knowledge to patient care;
- Practice-Based Learning and Improvement that involves investigation and evaluation of their own patient care, appraisal and assimilation of scientific evidence, and improvements in patient care;
- Interpersonal and communication skills that result in effective information exchange and teaming with patients, their families, and other health professionals;
- Professionalism, as manifested through a commitment to carrying out professional responsibilities, adherence to ethical principles, and sensitivity to a diverse patient population;
- System-Based Practice, as manifested by actions that demonstrate an awareness of and responsiveness to the larger context and system of health care and the ability to effectively call on system resources to provide care that is of optimal value."

Attendings who participate in the resident service program and physicians, who provide coverage during an attending physician's absence, incur specific responsibilities as outlined in the university or sponsoring institution's policies.

Attendings will be responsible for complying with the university or sponsoring institution's policies on Graduate Medical Education as well as Children's Resident Supervision policy.