



Policies and Procedures

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It is an accreditation requirement that Residents are exposed to after hour experiences as part of their training program. Residents experience a wide variety of call systems throughout residency. Minimum call is site specific and defined at the site level. It is expected that all residents will do Family Medicine call with their preceptors in longitudinal/community sites and their share of call in block based sites.

Vacations and conferences should be planned with the call schedule in mind, and arrangements discussed with the preceptor two (2) months in advance. For more information on Time Away From Training, see the Dalhousie Family Medicine Time Away From Training Policy posted here: <https://medicine.dal.ca/departments/department-sites/family/for-current-residents/resident-resources.html>

If a resident is away when their preceptor is on call, they will make up the equivalent days of call with another preceptor, in keeping with the maximum call requirements outlined in the Maritime Resident Doctors (MarDocs) Collective Agreement. The full agreement can be viewed here: <https://www.maritimeresidentdoctors.ca/starting-residency/working-as-a-resident/collective-agreement>