

# Pediatric Residency Program

## Monthly Newsletter



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### PILOTED EPAs

Each of the piloted EPAs have separate, specific criteria in order to ensure a broad range of assessments. Please keep this in mind when residents are requesting an observation for an EPA. For example:

- TTD1 (Completing, Presenting and Documenting a Basic History and Physical) requires at least 6 observations of achievement (overall score of 4 or 5), 3 of which must be completed by faculty, 1 from each age group and at least 2 have to be full observations of history and physical and presentation.
- CORE4 (Managing Episodic and Longitudinal Care of Infants/Children/Adolescents with Increased Complexity) requires at least 10 observations of achievement (overall score of 4 or 5), at least 10 must be different conditions, 3 must be inpatient, 4 in the community, at least 3 direct observations and no more than 2 successful observations of achievement by the same assessor.

Note: These are minimum criteria and should not prevent additional feedback and coaching. We anticipate that residents may obtain more than the minimum number of observations to support their learning. E.g. for CORE4, if you have completed 2 observations of achievement, you could provide a narrative feedback form, assess another EPA or repeat this EPA with new coaching points.

### PROCEDURES

Procedures have been removed from the ITERs and now must be documented on the Procedure Form.

Note: If a resident did a procedure multiple times in one day (e.g. IV insertion) you may complete one Procedure Form and indicate how many were done on the form. Please complete a separate form for each different procedure.

### RESIDENT HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Our resident holiday schedule is in effect from December 21<sup>st</sup> to January 1<sup>st</sup> inclusive (Christmas days: Dec 21-26, New Years days: Dec 27-Jan 1). During these dates, most residents will take their 6 days of holiday leave over either the Christmas days or the New Years days.

Residents who are working will be assigned to round on PMU or PICU. The handover times for PICU will remain at 8:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., while the handover times for PMU will be 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. While the holiday schedule is in effect, residents may leave early after rounding on their assigned patients, but there will always be a senior and a junior resident in house 24-7 as usual.

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