

Pediatric Residency Program Monthly Newsletter



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EPA Evaluation Scores Explained

When an EPA is achieved, it means the resident is competent to perform the task independently at the level of a generalist.

Not sure which 'O-score' to mark an EPA assessment for a resident?

Use this table to assist you in choosing the correct score for your encounter.

O-Score Number	O-Sore Text	Explanation / When to Use
1	I had to do	Resident just observed
2	I had to talk them through	Resident needed constant direction
3	I needed to prompt	Resident needed frequent direction
4	I needed to be there just in case	Resident needed minor direction
5	I didn't need to be there	Resident needed no direction to complete

The assessment is retrospective, not predictive. So ask yourself, how did they do today, not, will they do well the next time?

If you did not observe the full encounter, or are not sure how the resident arrived at their conclusions, ask questions to learn what they did and their critical thinking process.

EPA Mapping Website

All of the EPAs and which EPAs can be done on each rotation can be found on our [EPA Mapping Website](#). If you encounter any issues with the website please let Alicia know.

REMINDER:

Residents are now required to obtain 6 EPA forms per 4 week block plus 12 procedure forms per academic year.

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