

RESIDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

Residents and fellows (trainees) are integrally involved in the care of all patients at Nationwide Children's Hospital (NCH) commensurate with their level of training, knowledge and skills, complexity of the patient, specific task or clinical activity, and the availability of back-up resources. Trainees are expected to demonstrate progressive responsibility throughout the course of their training. General trainee responsibilities are outlined in the resident contract on the NCH Residencies and Fellowships webpage: <http://www.nationwidechildrens.org/residency-fellowship>. The Program Director reviews program-specific responsibilities with trainees during program orientation.

Trainees must meet any additional certification or other standards outlined by NCH, e.g., credentialing to provide procedural sedation, if they wish to perform a specific procedure. NCH staff may verify trainees' level of supervision and scope of practice on the NCH intranet at <http://anchor.columbuschildrens.net/credentials--housestaff-home>.

The patient management activities of trainees are supervised by attending physicians with appropriate clinical privileges to carry out the patient care responsibilities for which they supervise trainees (see GME Policy on Supervision of Residents). Attendings are NCH medical staff members who have the ethical and legal responsibility for their patients' care. No trainee is permitted to render care without the supervision appropriate for that trainee's level of education, ability, and experience.

Trainees may provide care to patients in any care delivery site that is operated by NCH as well as in private offices of physicians who have agreed to supervise residents as part of the PECS (Pediatric Education in Community Settings) Program or in other educational sites that have been approved by NCH.

Qualifications

1. All trainees functioning in NCH facilities must be in a program that has been approved by the NCH GMEC (Graduate Medical Education Committee) or in an approved residency program of an institution with which NCH has an educational affiliation agreement.
2. The Program Director at the sponsoring institution is responsible for reviewing and verifying the credentials of the trainees from affiliated programs.
3. All trainees must be in good standing in their residency program and follow all NCH rules, regulations, policies and procedures including but not limited to NCH's Corporate Integrity Program and HIPAA.
4. Trainees may progress to the next level of training only after evaluation and approval by the Program Director based upon criteria in that program.
5. Trainees must fulfill all of the program requirements, including those stipulated by ACGME or other accreditation organization. Only trainees who fulfill these requirements will be retained in the program.

6. All trainees must have either a valid Ohio medical/dental license or an Ohio training certificate.

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