

SCOPE OF PRACTICE GUIDELINES

GENERAL SURGERY SERVICE LAST UPDATED 22 JULY 2010

SURGERY/PLASTIC SURGERY RESIDENTS

1. Residents will have a completed scope of practice and residency director cover letter stating the resident's credentialed level of training.
2. Residents will assist in supervision and teaching Family Medicine Residents, medical students and PA-S rotating on the service.
3. Residents will perform surgery under direct supervision of a credentialed staff surgeon.
4. After demonstrated competence to the General Surgery staff, the following procedures may be performed by residents with staff assistance when necessary:
 - a. Breast biopsy.
 - b. Excision of subcutaneous lesions.
 - c. Skin biopsy.
 - d. I&D of abscesses.
 - e. Anoscopy/Proctosigmoidoscopy.
 - f. Esophagoduodenostomy.
 - g. Flexible sigmoidectomy.
 - h. Colonoscopy.
 - i. Central line *and arterial line* placement.
 - j. Chest tube placement.
 - k. Split thickness skin grafting.
 - l. Laceration repair.
 - m. Diagnostic peritoneal lavage.
 - n. Excision of external hemorrhoids.
 - o. Appendectomy.
5. All operating room procedures will be done with a staff general surgeon present.
6. Residents will participate in morning report, conferences, evening teaching rounds and present topic of assignments.
7. Residents will take first call for General Surgery averaging every third night with staff backup.
8. Residents will be allowed to do admissions, discharges and write orders under staff guidance, but without requiring staff countersignature.

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9. Residents will manage Surgical Intensive Care patients under guidance of staff.
10. As qualified, residents may provide BCLS, ACLS, ATLS or PALS if necessary.

Student

Date