

PGY7 Graduated Independence Grid***

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Faculty will be in-house and available throughout the fellow's shift (except for Tier 4)

In Tier 2+, will function as attending—admitting patients and booking OR cases under their own name, evaluating and staffing all inpatients, traumas and consults, and attesting resident notes.

At regular intervals, the fellow's **tier** will be re-assessed by the faculty. Fellow is responsible for reminding attending of their current tier and its meaning at the start of each duty period.

If the attending is present for a trauma, OR case or consult, then the attending will sign the chart for that case instead of the fellow.

	Tier 1 Est. August	Tier 2 Est. September	Tier 3 Est. Dec	Tier 4
Rounds	Faculty sees patients and signs notes (can & should be separate from team). Should see ~4 most complex patients w fellow daily	Faculty runs list with fellow MORNING and AFTERNOON, personally sees any complex patients at fellow or faculty discretion. Fellow signs notes.	Faculty discusses/evaluates complex patients with fellow at fellow request; faculty must be in-house	Same as Tier 3, except faculty may be off-campus available by phone
Trauma Yellow	Faculty present	Call PRN	Call PRN	Call PRN <i>Faculty at home</i>
Trauma Red not hypotensive	Faculty present	Call PRN	Call PRN	Call PRN <i>Faculty at home</i>
Trauma Red with hypotension	Faculty present	Faculty present	Call PRN	Call PRN <i>Faculty at home</i>
Trauma OR case	Faculty present	Faculty present at start, may leave if patient stable	Notify attending of case Faculty present only on request	Notify attending of case <i>Faculty at home</i>
General Surgery OR case	Faculty present	Notify faculty of case Faculty present only on request	Notify attending of case Faculty present only on request	Notify attending if complex case (ie other than appy/chole) <i>Faculty at home</i>
Regardless of level, fellows are expected to escalate care to attending on call if patient care or case load exceeds fellow capabilities.				

Impending mortality for any reason (Other than patient on comfort care)	Notify faculty for brief discussion	Notify faculty for brief discussion	Notify faculty for brief discussion	Notify faculty for brief discussion
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***ESCALATION OF CARE

There is always a faculty member and back up faculty member on call with the fellow for escalation, which is done by phone or in person conversation; and either fellow or faculty can be the one to initiate the escalation.