



- c. Clinical and educational work periods for residents must not exceed 24 hours of continuously scheduled clinical assignments. Up to four hours of additional time may be used for activities related to patient safety such as ensuring effective transitions of care and/or resident education (28 hours total in house). NO new or additional patient care responsibilities may be assigned to these residents.
  - d. Residents must be provided with one day in seven free from all educational and clinical responsibilities, averaged over a 4-week period, inclusive of call. One day is defined as one continuous 24-hour period free from all clinical, educational, and administrative activities. No home call may be on this day.
  - e. Time spent at hospital or at home performing clinical responsibilities by residents on home-call must count towards the 80 hour maximum limit. Frequency of home call is not restricted to every third night but must include one day in seven off.
  - f. Night float must conform to the 80 hour week and the one day off in seven. Additional requirements may be imposed by individual ACGME Review Committees.
  - g. Programs must have a system for tracking resident work hours and must be able to document the number of hours each resident works each week.
  - h. Each program must have a written policy and procedure regarding work hours that is consistent with this institutional policy and must review their policy annually.
- II. On Call Activities:
- a. In-house call is defined as work hours beyond the normal work day when residents are required to be immediately available in the assigned institution.
    - i. Residents must not be scheduled in-house call more frequently than every third night, averaged over a four-week period.
    - ii. Duty periods of residents may be scheduled up to a maximum of 24 hours and must not be assigned additional clinical responsibilities after 24 hours of continuous duty. Residents may be allowed to remain on-site for a maximum of four additional hours in order to accomplish effective transitions of care and education.
    - iii. No new patients may be accepted after 24 hours of continuous duty. A new patient is defined as any patient for whom the resident has not previously provided care.
  - b. At-home call (pager call) is defined as a call taken from outside the assigned institution.
    - i. Residents/fellows are permitted to return to the hospital while on at-home call to care for new or established patients. Each episode of this type of care must be included in the 80 hour weekly m

procedure for tracking the number of hours spent in the hospital from at-home call.

- c. Each program must have a written policy and procedure regarding on-call activities (may be incorporated into the work hours po0.0000092 0 62 818e incorporated into the wo

- III. Program directors are responsible for monitoring the effects of clinical and educational work hours responsibilities and making necessary modifications to scheduling in order to mitigate excessive service demands or fatigue.
  - a. Monitoring of duty hours is required with frequency sufficient to ensure an appropriate balance between education and service. Issues need to be brought to the GMEC for discussion.
  - b. Clinical and educational work hours policies will be evaluated at the time of special reviews of the training program or if concerns arise through the duty hours violation button to the Office of GME.
  - c. Compliance with clinical and educational work hours regulations will be evaluated quarterly. Non-adherence will be reported to the GMEC for further action.

## INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT

The Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine at UNLV provides institutional support for both residents and fellows through institutional compliance monitoring.

### I. Institution-level Monitoring

- a. The Office of GME reviews ACGME clinical and educational work hours for each program through New Innovations. Any reports of non-adherence of clinical and educational work hours policies will be investigated and reported to the GMEC for discussion and action.
- b. The GME website provides for a confidential reporting mechanism where violations of g0 G(ad)-7(he)4(r)-