

Policies and Procedures

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PURPOSE

Supervision in the setting of graduate medical education provides safe and effective care to patients; ensures each resident's development of the skills, knowledge, and attitudes required to enter the unsupervised practice of medicine; and establishes a foundation for continued professional growth.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all Creighton University Hospice and Palliative Medicine Fellows.

POLICY

1. All patient care will be supervised by qualified members of the hospice and palliative care interdisciplinary teams, with direct and indirect supervision from an attending physician. Over the course of the year, the fellows will receive more indirect supervision based upon fellow competence, comfort level, and fitness for duty.
2. Supervising faculty physicians will be available to fellows 24 hours 7 days a week by cell phone or pager.
3. On inpatient consult rotations the fellow will round directly with the faculty member for several hours daily. Each patient will be seen by the attending daily.
4. On hospice rotations, the fellow will complete 10 home hospice visits with direct supervision from the hospice faculty member, then will complete home hospice visits with indirect supervision at the discretion of the program director.
5. In palliative clinic, the faculty will be available for direct supervision whenever fellows are in the clinic. For each new patient, the supervisor will see the patient with the fellow for a crucial portion of the evaluation. All fellow paperwork will be reviewed and signed by the supervising faculty.
6. Anonymous fellow feedback about each rotation and each faculty includes questions about level of supervision received. Any deficiencies will be addressed by the Program Director.
7. Fellows will call their supervising faculty to discuss any new patients, patient deaths, uncontrolled symptom emergencies, or sudden significant change in patient clinical status or goals of care.

REFERENCES

<https://www.acgme.org/>

AMENDMENTS OR TERMINATION OF THIS POLICY

Creighton University reserves the right to modify, amend or terminate this policy at any time.

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The GME policy supersedes all program level policies regarding this area/topic. In the event of any discrepancies between program policies and the GME policy, the GME policy shall govern.