

USF – College of Medicine
GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION POLICY & PROCEDURE

Title: Scope of Practice	No.: GME-214
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Scope: Applies to all University of South Florida Morsani College of Medicine (USF MCOM) trainees in Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (“ACGME”) accredited and non-accredited/non-standard programs.

Background: In accordance with ACGME Common Program Requirements, Section VI.A.2.e).(1), each resident must know the limits of their scope of authority, and the circumstances under which the resident is permitted to act with conditional independence. Initially, PGY-1 residents must be supervised either directly, or indirectly with direct supervision immediately available.

Policy: The USF MCOM, in keeping with the ACGME requirements and statutes of the State of Florida, will ensure that each training program has defined activities for the Residents and Fellows (“Residents”) in each post-graduate year of training, and that Residents function only under the appropriate level of supervision as further defined below.

This “scope of practice” will define the activity and/or procedure that residents are allowed to perform with and without direct supervision. Scope of practice is limited to that which the law allows for specific education and experience and demonstrated level of competency. The scope of practice for each specialty and sub-specialty should be reviewed and updated by the Program Director based on modifications to the training program on an as needed basis.

Programs that have beside procedures must utilize Procedure Logger/New Innovations to document individual resident competency and required level of supervision. Updates are required as competency level changes but no less than on an annual basis.

Direct Supervision is defined as: the supervising physician is physically present with the resident and patient.

Indirect Supervision is defined as:

- 1) With Direct Supervision immediately available – the supervising physician is physically present within the hospital or other patient care site and is immediately available to provide direct supervision.
- 2) With Direct Supervision Available – the supervising physician is not physically present within the hospital or other patient care site but is immediately available by means of telephonic and/or electronic modalities, and is available to provide direct supervision.

Oversight: The supervising physician is available to provide review of procedures/encounters with feedback provided after care is delivered.

Scope of Practice differs from program to program. The Program Director provides the Resident and the Office of GME with the program-specific Scope of Practice describing the approved activities of the Residents for each year of training. Scope of Practice for each residency and/or fellowship program shall be maintained by the Program Director. Copies can be obtained from the GME website (<https://health.usf.edu/medicine/gme>), the educational office of the affiliated hospitals, thru New Innovations, or the education coordinator.

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