

Scope of Practice

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA CLINICAL NEUROPHYSIOLOGY FELLOWSHIP SCOPE OF PRACTICE DIRECTOR OF PROGRAM HEBER VARELA, M.D.

This document pertains to Clinical Neurophysiology Fellow rotations at the James A Haley VAMC, Tampa General Hospital and USF Clinics North and South. This program is part of the (resident/fellowship) training program in Clinical Neurophysiology at the University of South Florida. All ACGME and JCAHO guidelines pertaining to graduate medical education apply to this rotation.

In keeping with ACGME and JCAHO guidelines, the faculty and program director are responsible for providing (residents/fellows) with direct experience in progressive responsibility for patient management. All patient care at TGH provided by (residents/fellows) will be provided under direct or indirect faculty supervision. Supervision must be documented in the medical record in accordance with Clinical Neurophysiology at the University of South Florida compliance guidelines.

Activities performed *without direct supervision* require access to the supervisory physician for communication and physical access *within 30 minutes*. Activities performed with direct supervision require presence of the supervisory physician. Residents are authorized to perform any activity assigned while under direct supervision. **Final Interpretation of all diagnostic and therapeutic studies requires direct supervision.** (Residents/Fellows) at each postgraduate year of training, while not limited to the following activities, are specifically allowed to do these without direct supervision. This document may be modified by the program director based on additions to the training program.

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WITHOUT Direct Supervision

Residents Shall:

- 1) *Do pertinent history and physical examination and develop therapeutic plans for*
 - a. *Adult and Pediatric patients with Epilepsy;*
 - b. *Adults and Pediatric patient with Neuromuscular disorders.*
- 2) *Provide proper management/care including writing prescriptions, writing order, support care, end-of-life issues and psychosocial issues with patients who have Epilepsy and Neuromuscular Disorders*
- 3) *Provide ongoing care for;*
 - a. *Adult patients with Epilepsy (this applies only to the Epilepsy/EEG oriented Fellow);*
 - b. *Adult patients with Neuromuscular disorders (this applies only to the Neuromuscular/EMG oriented Fellow).*
- 4) *Learn proper techniques for performing Nerve Conduction Studies and needle EMG examination.*
- 5) *Perform Nerve Conduction Studies and needle EMG examination after the first 3 months of training*
- 6) *Provide consults to physicians in other specialties regarding Epilepsy and Neuromuscular patients.*
- 7) *Read and interpret Clinical Neurophysiology studies, including EEG, EMG and evoked potentials in adult and pediatric patients*

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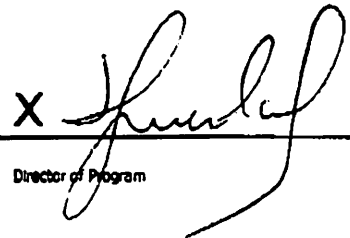
WITH Direct Supervision

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- 3) *Read and interpret clinical Neurophysiology studies, including EEG, EMG and evoked potentials in adult and pediatric patients*

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Signature: Heber Varela, MD Director of Program

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