UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA INFECTIOUS DISEASES RESIDENCY/FELLOWSHIP

SCOPE OF PRACTICE

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This document pertains to fellow rotations at Tampa General Hospital, James A. Haley VA Hospital, and HL Moffitt Cancer Center. These rotations are part of the fellowship training program in Infectious Diseases at the University of South Florida. All ACGME and JOINT COMMISSION guidelines pertaining to graduate medical education apply to these rotations.

In keeping with ACGME and JOINT COMMISSION guidelines, the faculty and program director are responsible for providing fellows with direct experience in incremental responsibility for patient management. All patient care at TGH provided by fellows will be provided under direct or indirect faculty supervision. Supervision must be documented in the medical record in accordance with Division of Infectious Diseases at the University of South Florida compliance guidelines.

Two types of involvement levels may be delineated:

A). **Indirect supervision with direct supervision available**: any activity performed requires access to the supervisory physician for communication and physical access within 30 minutes. Attendings are available at any time the fellow needs assistance and at the fellow’s discretion, including (but not limited to) urgent patient care questions, issues with infection prevention and healthcare occupational exposures.

B). **With direct supervision**: Activities so performed require the actual 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**.

Fellows at each individual postgraduate year of training are specifically allowed to engage in the following activities with or with direct supervision available as follows:

**Post Graduate Year 4**

A) **Indirect supervision with direct supervision available**

1) **Pertinent history and physical examination and develop diagnostic and therapeutic plans for:**
   - Both Ambulatory
   - And Hospitalized patients with unknown or newly diagnosed infections

2) **Learn proper technique for interpreting:**
   - Gram Stains
   - Culture Data
   - Radiologic studies pertinent to infectious diseases

3) **Learn proper management of:**
   a. Long term indwelling vascular devices
b. Antibiotic therapy and its side effects

4) Recognize and provide proper management for infectious disease emergencies

5) Discuss diagnosis, prognosis, diagnostic testing, therapeutic considerations and alternatives, supportive care, end-of-life issues, and psychosocial issues with patients who have infectious diseases including HIV/AIDS

6) Prepare informal and formal educational seminars for residents, subspecialty fellows and faculty on Infectious Disease topics

7) Develop a plan for a research project

**B) With Direct Supervision**

1) Evaluate patients for and prescribe intrathecal antibiotics

**Post Graduate Year 5**

**A) Indirect supervision with direct supervision available**

1) Increase skills in:
   a. diagnostic and therapeutic knowledge
   b. consulting
   c. patient care supervisory skills
   d. teaching skills

2) Will also:
   a. actively work on at least 1 research project
   b. develop increasing levels of independence in carrying out clinical and educational responsibilities

**B) With Direct Supervision**

2) Evaluate patients for and prescribe intrathecal antibiotics

**Signature**:  
Director of Program  
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