

Scope of Practice

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA CORNEA FELLOWSHIP

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This document pertains to fellow rotations at USF Eye Institute and TGH. This program is part of the fellowship training program in Cornea 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 fellows with direct experience in progressive responsibility for patient management. All patient care at USF Eye Institute and TGH provided by fellows will be provided under direct or indirect faculty supervision.

Activities performed **with indirect 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**. 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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Indirect Supervision

Fellows Shall:

- 1) *Do pertinent history and physical examination & develop diagnostic and therapeutic plans for:*
 - a. *Ambulatory*
- 2) *Provide ongoing care for ambulatory patients with corneal disorders*
- 3) *Examine patients with all available eye equipment*
- 4) *Perform*
 - a. *Punctal plug placement (temporary and permanent)*
 - b. *Apply glue to cornea*
 - c. *Culture corneal ulcers*
- 5) *Prepare informal and formal educational seminars for residents, subspecialty fellows and faculty on cornea topics.*
- 6) *Interpret and in some cases perform common diagnostic tests such as corneal pachymetry, topography, specular microscopy, rigid gas permeable contact lens over-refraction.*

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WITH Direct Supervision

Fellows Shall:

- 1) *Perform cornea transplant*
 - Endothelial Keratoplasty (DSAEK/DMEK)
 - Penetrating Keratoplasty
- 2) *Perform pterygium excision*
- 3) *Perform cornea refractive surgery*
 - a. PRK
 - b. LASIK
- 4) *Perform amniotic membrane transplant*
- 5) *Perform Ocular surface cancer excision/reconstruction*
- 6) *Perform cataract surgery (regular and complex)*
- 7) *Perform Rupture globes repair*

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