

Scope of Practice

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA USF DEPT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY RETINA FELLOWSHIP
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This document pertains to fellow rotations at Tampa General Hospital/James A. Haley Veterans Administration Hospital/Bay Pines Veterans Administration Hospital/USF Eye Institute/Moffitt Cancer Center. This program is part of the fellowship training program in Retina 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 TGH provided by fellows will be provided under direct or indirect faculty supervision. Supervision must be documented in the medical record in accordance with Ophthalmology residency/fellowships 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.** Retina 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.

PGY 5 and 6

WITHOUT Direct Supervision

Fellows Shall:

- 1) *Do pertinent history and physical examination & develop diagnostic and therapeutic plans for:*
 - a. *Ambulatory*
 - b. *Hospitalized patients with unknown or newly diagnosed retinal problems*
- 2) *Provide ongoing care for ambulatory patients with retinal disorders*
- 3) *Examine patients with all available eye equipment including ultrasonography.*
 - a.
- 2) *Perform*
 - b. *Retinal laser procedures*
 - c. *Retinal cryopexy procedures.*
 - d. *Anterior chamber paracentesis*
 - e. *Intravitreal injections*
 - f. *Subconjunctival injections*
 - g. *Retrobulbar anesthesia*
- 4) *Prepare informal and formal educational seminars for residents, subspecialty fellows and faculty on retina topics*
- 5) *Develop a plan for a research project*
- 6) *Interpret and in some cases perform common diagnostic tests such as fluorescein angiography, optical coherence tomography, ultrasonography.*

Fellowss Shall NOT:

- a. *actively work on more than 1 research project*

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WITH Direct Supervision

Residents Shall:

1) *Perform:*

- a. *major intraocular surgery such as scleral buckle and vitrectomy.*
- b. *Pneumatic retinopexy*

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Signature: Director of Program

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