Policies and Procedures

PURPOSE

The GMEC must monitor programs’ supervision of residents and fellows and ensure that supervision is consistent with:

a. Provision of safe and effective patient care;
b. Educational needs of residents;
c. Progressive responsibility appropriate to residents’ level of education, competence, and experience; and,
d. Other applicable Common and specialty/subspecialty-specific Program requirement

SCOPE

This policy applies to all Creighton University Interventional Cardiology fellows.

POLICY

1. Procedural Expectations:

   a. Supervising Physician: The staff physician is responsible for the supervision of all procedures performed in the individual cardiology laboratories. **At no time does the fellow ever perform procedures without direct supervision.** The staff physician will review the rotation expectations at the beginning of the rotation. The attending physician will provide verbal feedback and a written evaluation at the end of each procedure. The attending physician will conduct daily management rounds which will include brief focused discussion. The staff physician will be readily available and easily contacted by the fellow to discuss patient care or other issues related to the rotation. The staff physician will monitor the fellow's performance of procedures and review the fellow's interpretation of all diagnostic tests. The staff physician will provide concise focused teaching sessions during weekly conferences or during performance and interpretation of laboratory studies. The staff physician and the fellow will discuss testing results with the patient and the patient's family and provide appropriate documentation.

   b. Interventional Cardiology Fellow: The fellow is responsible for the daily management of all patients scheduled to undergo procedures. The fellow will complete preoperative assessment, and post-operative management of patients scheduled for procedures. The fellow will assist the general cardiology fellow in performing necessary procedures. The fellow will either provide adequate documentation of patient care or ensure that cardiology notes are complete and accurate. **No procedures may be performed without direct faculty supervision.**
2. Outpatient Continuity Clinic:

   a. Supervising Physician: The attending physician will supervise the management of all cardiology clinic patients. All new patients and follow up patients will be presented to the attending physician and written documentation of the encounter will be placed in the chart. The attending physician will provide verbal feedback and a written evaluation twice a year.

   b. Interventional Cardiology Fellow: The Interventional fellow is responsible for evaluating, managing, and providing follow-up care for his or her assigned cardiology clinic patients under the supervision of the staff physician in the clinic. The fellow is responsible for providing appropriate documentation on all patient encounters. The fellow is expected to answer clinic staff and patient phone calls in a timely fashion.

REFERENCES

https://www.acgme.org/

AMENDMENTS OR TERMINATION OF THIS POLICY

Creighton University reserves the right to modify, amend or terminate this policy at any time.

The GME policy supersedes all program level policies regarding this area/topic. In the event of any discrepancies between program policies and the GME policy, the GME policy shall govern.