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Graduate Medical Education : General Responsibilities of House Staff

I. Purpose

To provide guidelines to House Staff regarding their general responsibilities as a trainee in an Ochsner sponsored training program.

Scope

All residents and fellow in Ochsner sponsored training programs. For the purposes of this policy the term House Staff includes any trainee in an Ochsner sponsored program.

II. Policy Statement:

Ochsner Clinic Foundation House Staff are expected to participate in the educational opportunities offered within the institution and those in the context of their individual programs and provide medical treatment to the patients of the Ochsner Health System in a competent, compliant and caring manner. Moral, ethical and professional behavior is expected at all times.

To meet these responsibilities, house staff are expected to:

1. Attend and actively participate in all conference and teaching rounds within their assigned department
2. Render appropriate medical care to patients in a professional and caring manner under the appropriate supervision of Ochsner faculty
3. Practice medicine in a manner compliant with Federal and Regulatory Guidelines
4. Participate in the evaluation of the program, peers, and teaching faculty required by the Program Director and Institution.
5. Appropriately document in and sign patient's records in a manner consistent with Ochsner Medical Center Policy.
6. Actively Participate in departmental and institution committees.
7. Maintain a professional appearance and follow Ochsner Medical Center dress code policy.
8. Contribute to the overall success of the operations and patient outcomes at the department and institutional levels.
9. Provide supervision and instruction to less senior house staff and students.
10. Work collaboratively with other partners on the Ochsner patient care teams.
11. Actively participate in and contribute to performance improvement and patient safety initiatives at the program, department, and institutional level.



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12. Report any identified issues of non-compliance, patient safety or other concern through the appropriate channels, to include the organizations Compliance Hot Line or the 2-SAVE reporting system, program director or organizational Senior Leader.
13. Adhere to all Ochsner Medical Center policies and procedures.

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