

NONTEACHING SERVICES

This policy is designed to:

- a. Define a non-teaching service at UMMC, the VA and Mercy Medical Center.
 - b. Eliminate resident patient care responsibilities for patients on the nonteaching services.
 - c. Ensure appropriate resident involvement in emergency situations.
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1. Non-teaching services include those services where residents are not assigned on rotation and that have fellows, nurse practitioners, physician assistants or attendings primarily caring for the patients. Examples include Med 6, the cardiac cath service and Bone Marrow Transplant Unit at UMMC, 23-hour admissions at the VA, Geriatric Service at the VA, and the non-teaching services at Mercy Medical Center.
 2. Residents will not provide routine care for patients on the nonteaching services at any time, including phlebotomy, IV starts or patient evaluation for nonemergent problems, e.g., mild fevers, noncardiac chest pain, constipation, insomnia, etc.
 3. A fellow, attending, nurse practitioner or physician assistant will have primary patient care responsibility for these patients, including performing a full history and physical examination, delivering daily care, writing progress notes and all orders, arranging dispositions and dictating discharge summaries.
 4. A designated resident (usually the Medical Consultant) will be available for emergency situations, including acute cardiac event, hemodynamic instability, serious infection or cardiac/respiratory arrest. If the patient is on a cardiology service, the cardiology resident (PCS or CCS) will respond to emergent issues. Any emergencies in the Bone Marrow Transplant Unit are covered by the cancer center resident on call.

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