

ORTHOPAEDIC SUPERVISION OF CLINICAL CARE

All clinical services provided by resident/fellow physicians must be supervised appropriately to maintain high standards of care, safeguard patient safety and ensure high quality education based on patient acuity and a resident/fellow's graduated level of responsibility. Four levels of supervision are recognized:

DIRECT SUPERVISION: the supervising physician is physically present with the resident/fellow and the patient.

Surgical care within all operating rooms for the "key portion of the procedure." This level of supervision is required to bill for any procedure.

INDIRECT SUPERVISION WITH DIRECT SUPERVISION IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE: the supervising physician is present in the hospital/clinic and is immediately available to provide Direct Supervision. The supervisor may not be engaged in any activities (such as a patient care procedure) which would delay the response to a resident/fellow requiring direct supervision.

Surgical care within all operating rooms for the entirety of the procedure. Residents should be supervised according to their level of graduated clinical proficiency.

INDIRECT SUPERVISION WITH DIRECT SUPERVISION AVAILABLE: the supervising physician is not required to be present in the hospital/clinic, or may be in-house but engaged in patient care activities, but is immediately available through telephone or other electronic modalities and can be summoned to provide Direct Supervision. Residents should be supervised according to their level of graduated clinical proficiency.

All Emergency Department and ICU Procedures

Fracture Closed Reduction

Traction Pin placement

Joint Closed Reduction

Joint Arthrocentesis

Spine Halo placement

Splinting of injured extremities

New Hospital and ED consultations and admission

Critical Event on any inpatient

Upon scheduling any operative case faculty must be notified

All patient deaths or ICU transfers require immediate notification of faculty

OVERSIGHT: the supervision is available to provide review of patient procedures/encounters with feedback provided after care is delivered.

Routine Daily Care of Established Inpatients and Consultations