



**Department of Medicine  
Internal Medicine Residency Program**

**ON CALL MEAL MONEY**

**IN-HOUSE ON-CALL MEALS**

**Policy:** MUSC provides money for meals from the MUSC cafeteria, Subway, Chick-Fil-A, Baja Fresh, Pandini's, the Ashley River Tower Cafeteria, and all other MUSC Sodexo cafés while the resident is on-call within the Hospital.

**Procedure:** All residents will receive \$60 per month for a meal allowance. Those residents who are scheduled for 24-hour in-house call shifts will receive an additional \$15 per scheduled shift. Residents in departments with inpatient services scheduled for home-call shifts receive an additional \$2 per scheduled shift. Residents are only allowed to maintain a maximum balance of \$300.00 for their meal allowance at the time of the monthly deposit.

Only clinical programs (including residents and fellows) that are accredited, either by the ACGME or the ADA, and have a resident agreement with the GME Office will participate in the meal card program.

The \$60 meal allowance and the additional supplement for call shifts will be distributed monthly. Program Coordinators, or designated individuals, are responsible for informing the GME Office which residents are scheduled for call each month. (Note: A copy of the call schedule is not sufficient.) This list must be submitted three business days prior to the end of the preceding month to ensure timely disbursement onto the residents' meal cards. Any departments who do not submit this list on time will only receive the \$60 meal allowance with no additional funds for call shifts.

Semi-annually, the GME Office will reevaluate the monthly allowance and revise it, if needed, as a result of an increase/decrease in the number of residents or the number of 24-hour call shifts worked during the previous six months.

In addition to the \$15 meal card supplement, residents working 24-hour in-house weekend call will also receive a \$15 weekend meal voucher.

Each resident will receive a voucher with his/her name on it. The voucher can only be used for delivery orders during the scheduled 24-hour in-house weekend call shift. Meal vouchers are only to be used on Friday nights, Saturdays, and Sundays and only

with the vendors listed on the vouchers. Residents cannot tip with the vouchers nor can change be received. All vouchers must be used prior to the expiration date printed on the voucher. Any resident who misuses a 24-hour in-house weekend call voucher will be subject to disciplinary action by the Designated Institutional Official.

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