SCOPE OF PRACTICE
PGY – 1-6

PGY-1

• Complete history and physical on each patient admitted as assigned by the attending surgeon.

• Participate in daily ward rounds.

• Assist operating surgeons and senior residents in the operating room in performing surgery under the supervision of the attending surgeon.

• Provide on-call coverage for adult surgery patients as scheduled.

• Order laboratory and radiological studies on patients admitted to the inpatient service when indicated as discussed with the attending staff on daily rounds.

• Make consultations as appropriate to the nutrition and social services for total patient care needs under the direction of the attending and senior resident house staff.

• Establish daily treatment plans for patients on the inpatient service including the Intensive Care Units (ICU) where appropriate under the supervision of the senior residents and attending surgeons.

• Perform daily evaluation on inpatients with physical examination, review of laboratory tests and nursing records.

• Perform specific procedures under supervision as listed in the e-value list of privileges.

• Dictate discharge summaries.

• Dictate operative notes when the operating surgeon under the supervision of the attending staff.
SCOPE OF PRACTICE
PGY – 1-6

- Participate in weekly outpatient clinics under the supervision of the senior residents and attending staff.
- Additional specific duties for each Service are listed in the Rotation Goals and Objectives
- Performs most general thoracic operations under the supervision of an attending physician
- Perform conscious sedation under the supervision of an attending physician

PGY-2

- Perform daily ward work including evaluation of inpatients, including ICU patients, and assist in the operating room when required.
- Make diagnostic and treatment plans for ICU and ward patients under the supervision of the senior residents and the attending staff.
- Perform specific operations under the supervision of the attending surgical staff as deemed appropriate by the attending surgical staff.
- Perform emergency department assessment of the trauma patient.
- Perform specific procedures under supervision as listed in the e-value list of privileges.
- Additional specific duties for each Service are listed in the Rotation Goals and Objectives.
- Performs most general thoracic operations under the supervision of an attending physician
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- Perform conscious sedation under the supervision of an attending physician
- Assists in the procurement of organs for transplantation.

PGY-3

- Establish and coordinate diagnosis and treatment plans for all patients under the supervision of the attending surgeon.
- Lead daily ward rounds.
- Supervise student activities and junior house staff.
- Perform specific procedures under supervision as listed in the e-value list of privileges.
- Perform specific operations under the supervision of the attending surgical staff as deemed appropriate by the attending surgical staff.
- Additional specific duties for each service are listed in the Rotation Goals and Objectives.
- Performs most general thoracic operations under the supervision of an attending physician
- Perform conscious sedation under the supervision of an attending physician
- Assists in the procurement of organs for transplantation.
SCOPE OF PRACTICE
PGY – 1-6

PGY-4

All conducted under attending supervision

- Performs preoperative and postoperative (including ICU) patient assessment and management under close supervision by senior residents and attendings.
- Assists in the operating room.
- Performs straightforward coronary artery bypass and valve procedures.
- Performs routine endoscopic procedures.
- Performs most general thoracic operations.
- Assists in the procurement of organs for transplantation.
- Participates in daily ICU and ward rounds with resident-student team.
- Establishes diagnosis and treatment plans for thoracic consultations under the supervision of senior residents.
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SCOPE OF PRACTICE
PGY – 1-6

• Performs routine diagnostic and therapeutic procedures including thoracentesis, pericardiocentesis, insertion and removal of chest tubes; insertion and removal of intra-aortic balloon pump, removal of pacing wires, insertion of Swan-Ganz catheters and central lines, etc.
• Performs insertion of pacemakers.
• Additional specific duties for each service are listed in the Rotation Goals and Objectives.
• Perform conscious sedation under the supervision of an attending physician

PGY-5

All conducted under attending supervision.

• All duties of PGY-4 resident plus the following:
• Supervises preoperative and postoperative assessment and management of the entire cardiothoracic service.
• Coordinates operating room assignments for both himself and lower residents.
• Supervises PG-6 resident, general surgical residents on the service, medical students, and other health personnel.
• Performs most adult heart procedures, except for most complex.
• Performs parts or all of straightforward closed congenital heart and relatively simple open congenital heart procedures.
• Performs all types of endoscopies.
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- Performs most general thoracic cases.

- Perform conscious sedation under the supervision of an attending physician

- Assists and performs both the procurement of organs for transplantation and their implantation.

- Supervises daily ICU and ward rounds.

- Additional specific duties for each service are listed in the Rotation Goals and Objectives.

PGY-6

All conducted under attending supervision.

- All Duties of PGY-4 & 5 residents plus the following.

- Supervises preoperative and postoperative assessment and management on the entire cardiothoracic services.

- Performs various administrative duties including resident on-call scheduling, OR scheduling, clinic assignments, etc.

- Reviews all medical student workups and relates assessment to the students.

- Supervises medical student and physician assistant activities.

- Performs most procedures on which he scrubs, except for the most complex.

- Serves as teaching assistant to junior residents on straightforward pulmonary procedures, pacemakers, endoscopies.

- Perform conscious sedation under the supervision of an attending physician

- Additional specific duties for each service are listed in the Rotation Goals and Objectives.
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