

ADULT CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE

Department of Medicine

SCOPE OF PRACTICE

PGY-7 & PGY-8

Scope of practice: Fellows will be PGY-7 and PGY-8 already having completed a full pediatric cardiology or adult cardiology fellowship. There will be no distinction in scope of practice between years but a greater degree of independence is expected with increasing experience.

Assist in determining and serving the needs of inpatient and outpatient adults with acquired or congenital diseases of the heart and blood vessels.

Complete a history and physical examination on patients admitted to or consulted by the ACHD service.

Examine and assess ACHD cardiology inpatients on a daily basis.

Patients in special care units require multiple daily evaluations.

Inform the attending physician and appropriate nursing staff and house staff of all important historical information, physical examination findings, and laboratory results involving ACHD cardiology patients.

Participate in or direct rounds on ACHD cardiology inpatients.

Determine, organize, and review laboratory studies obtained in the care of ACHD cardiology patients.

Write notes on cardiology inpatients and outpatients Coordinate, assess, and improve the care delivered by more junior house staff, medical students, and nursing staff.

Assist in or perform discharge planning for inpatients.

Participate in or perform the formal evaluation of junior house officers and medical students rotating through ACHD service.

Assist in or perform, under attending physician supervision as appropriate for their knowledge and experience, echocardiograms, ECGs, cardiac MRIs, Holter monitors, exercise testing with or without gas analysis, autonomic testing, pacemaker interrogation and programming, and cardiac catheterizations.

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Dictate catheterization summaries in a timely fashion.

Present and participate at patient care and didactic conferences.

Provide care of outpatients in ACHD Cardiology Continuity Clinic under the supervision of ACHD cardiology attending physicians.

Assist or perform the following procedures under the degree of attending physician supervision appropriate to the trainee's knowledge and experience and the urgency of the patient's need: central venous line insertion, arterial line insertion, endotracheal intubation, cardioversion, pericardiocentesis, thoracentesis, chest tube insertion and withdrawal, and central line removal.

Provide telephone consultation to outside physicians and to the MeduCare Emergency Transport Service.

Assist in or direct the coordination and supervision of the transfer of ACHD Assist in planning and participate in the ACHD Cardiology On-Call Schedule.