

PLASTIC SURGERY - INTEGRATED

Department of Surgery

SCOPE OF PRACTICE

PGY – 1-6

PGY1

- 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 housestaff.
- 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.

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- 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 Departmental Goals and Objectives.

PGY2

- Perform daily ward work including evaluation of inpatients, including ICU patients, and assist in the operating room when available.
- Make diagnostic and treatment plans for ICU and ward patients under the supervision of the senior residents and the attending staff.
- Answer consult requests from other services, triage said consult and present a cohesive assessment and plan to the senior resident and attending on call.
- 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 Departmental Goals and Objectives.

PGY3

- Establish and coordinate diagnosis and treatment plans for all patients under the supervision of the attending surgeon on Plastic Surgery.
- Lead daily ward rounds on Plastic Surgery.

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- Supervise student activities and junior housestaff on Plastic Surgery.
- 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 Departmental Goals and Objectives.

PGY-4

- Round on all plastic surgery inpatients every day.
- Assess progress of patients and identify real or potential problems.
- Review patients' progress with attending physicians daily and participate in management decisions.
- Coordinate care plan for each patient with other services.
- Supervise residents, interns, and medical students who are rotating on the plastic surgery service.
- Assume on-call responsibilities as required by the on-call schedule for a given time period.
- Respond to pages in a timely fashion.
- Be responsible for accurate and timely histories and physical examinations on all plastic surgery patients.
- Deliver care in the operating room to a level commensurate with their skill, training, experience, and attending surgeon wishes.

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- Dictate operative notes when asked to do so by attending physician.
- Prepare and deliver didactic presentations in accordance with the schedule prepared by the Chief Resident.
- Attend all plastic surgery conferences unless detained by emergency patient care responsibilities.

PGY-5

- Perform all duties listed for junior plastic surgery residents in any given situation, if necessary.
- Respond to consultation requests by other services in a timely manner and develop plan of care for treatment
- Develop independent surgical plans for patient care and coordinate with senior residents and attendings
- Improve upon microsurgical skills through increased involvement in microscope cases
- Manage the inpatient rounding teams and inpatient care of surgical patients, while adequately communicating with the supervising attending.

PGY-6 Chief Resident

- Perform all duties listed for junior plastic surgery residents in any given situation, if necessary.
- Supervise junior plastic surgery residents in performance of their duties.
- Organize the conference schedule for the Division of Plastic Surgery.

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- Assume increasing responsibility in the operative and perioperative care of patients, while communicating closely with the attending surgeons.
- Prepare and deliver didactic presentations for the Department of General Surgery and the Division of Plastic Surgery.
- Evaluate all patients admitted to the plastic surgery service, as well as all patients consulted upon by the plastic surgery service.
- Prepare the resident on-call schedule.

Goals and Objectives for the Plastic Surgery Residents

- Management of splints, dressings, and other techniques in wound healing.
- Application of planning and surgical performance of scar revision techniques such as Z-plasty, W-plasty, and dermabrasion.
- Treatment for patients with scar resulting from dysfunction or disfigurement.
- Surgical and pharmacological treatment of hypertrophic scars.
- Application of splints, casts, dressings, and topical agents to optimize wound healing.
- Elective incisions to achieve maximal aesthetic benefit.
- Surgical procedures for repair of tendon and nerve.
- Treatment of fractures with casting and reduction techniques.

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- Participate successfully in surgical procedures, the harvest of free tissue transfer, and microvascular and microneural junctures in the laboratory and clinical setting.
- Participation in alloplastic reconstruction: i.e., trunk, breast and facial skeleton.
- Appropriate utilization of local anesthesia.
- Knowledge of the skin technically and the elevation of skin grafts and skin flaps.
- Resection of benign and malignant skin lesions appropriately.
- Management of patients with burns on an outpatient basis.
- Minor and major injuries to the face: i.e., the facial skeleton, eyelid, ear, nose and lips.
- Simple and complex wound closures of the head and neck.
- Planning and surgical repair of nasal fractures, mandibular fractures, orbital fractures, and maxillary fractures.
- Design and execution of aesthetic operative procedures: face-lift, brow-lift, rhinoplasty, aesthetic breast surgery and suction lipectomy.
- Evaluation and closure of simple wounds of the upper extremity.
- Evaluation and treatment of upper extremity infections.
- Management of nerve injuries to the upper extremity.
- Management of nail bed and fingertip injuries.
- Skin grafting and flap closure of defects of the upper extremity.

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- Treatment of closed and open fractures of the upper extremity.
- Evaluation and treatment of patients with nerve compression syndromes of the upper extremity.
- Evaluation and treatment of patients with Dupuytren's in the upper extremity.
- Evaluation and treatment of patients with tendon injury (primary and secondary).
- Evaluation and treatment of patients with nerve injuries in the upper extremity.
- Aesthetic and reconstructive surgery of the breast which includes augmentation mammoplasty, reduction mammoplasty, and breast cancer reconstruction.
- Reconstruction of traumatic and postoperative defects of the chest (thoracic surgical wound complications, abdominal wall dehiscence).
- Anatomic knowledge of lower extremity for participating in the operative design of lower extremity defects and their special requirements to include weight bearing.