

HOSPITAL GUIDELINES FOR SUPERVISION OF RESIDENTS AND CLINICAL FELLOWS

Residents and Fellows will treat patients at Massachusetts General Hospital and the Brigham and Women's Hospital only under the supervision of staff attending physicians who are independently licensed and duly credentialed by the institution. Each patient will be assigned an attending physician of record who is responsible for his/her care and for determining and implementing the appropriate level of supervision of the trainee.

- Patients shall be notified of the name of the attending staff physician responsible for their care and that residents and fellows participating in their care are supervised by such staff physician(s).
- In providing clinical supervision to residents and fellows, the attending staff physician shall liberally provide advice and support and shall encourage trainees to freely seek their input.
- Residents and fellows are expected to make liberal use of the supervisory resources available to them and are encouraged to seek advice and input from the attending staff physician.
- The supervising physician's involvement in a patient's case shall be documented in the medical record.
- Additional guidelines regarding supervision of residents and fellows shall be developed by individual departments or training programs*.
- At least annually, a report shall be made to the Board of Trustees of the Hospital regarding the activities of the graduate medical education and training programs.

*Most or all RRCs require that the program director develop written "lines of supervision" (or similar language) for the program.