How Do I....?: Resident FAQs

Q1: Most of the time, I am on rotation at Methodist. I got called into the MED last night and did not know where to park. Where do I park in this situation?

A1: All residents can park in the Pauline Garage, located at the corner of Pauline and Court, seven days a week. Residents swipe their UT ID badges to gain access. Between the hours of 6pm and 6am there is a GME shuttle that provides transportation to and from the participating hospitals. The shuttle is exclusively for residents and is available by calling 448-4444. Be sure to ask for the "GME" shuttle.

Q2: My name was on the Expired TB Spreadsheet. Where can I go to get a TB test and do I have to pay?

A2: University Health, located in the 910 Madison Building on the 9th floor, performs TB tests Mon.-Wed. and Fri. and Quantiferon tests Mon.-Thurs. You must have an appointment for the Quantiferon test. GME will pay for either the TB or Quantiferon tests if done at University Health.

Q3: I just got married and need to add my wife to my health insurance. How do I do this?

A3: Residents can make changes to his/her existing insurance contract such as adding a spouse or child by filling out the “Health Insurance Enrollment Form” on the GME website and faxing it to Rikki Anderson at 448-6182. The “Health Insurance Enrollment Form” can be located on the GME website (www.utmem.edu/GME) under “registration materials.”

Q4: How many lab coats do I get?

A4: All new medical residents are eligible for 6 coats. Thereafter, existing residents are eligible for up to 3 coats per year. Residents can go to Landau on the corner of Madison and Pauline to order coats. Dental residents need to see the College of Dentistry.

Q5: What kind of medical license do I have?

A5: The University’s policy for license exemption is as follows: “Under the State of Tennessee statute T.C.A. 63-6-207, medical interns, residents, and fellows who do not hold a special training license are exempt from the requirement of a license to practice medicine or surgery in this state when participating in an accredited training program in the state of Tennessee. The Graduate Medical Education office will apply to the Tennessee Medical Board for a license exemption for each resident or fellow while training with the supervision and control of University of Tennessee College of Medicine faculty. Residents and fellows are not permitted to practice medicine or surgery outside of their training program (moonlighting) without being fully licensed to practice medicine or surgery in the state in which the moonlighting activity occurs.” Residents also need individual malpractice coverage for moonlighting.

Q6: I have not received a dental insurance card. How do I go about getting my cards?

A6: You will not get nor do you need dental insurance cards. Your health insurance card is all you need to show the dentist.

Q7: I received an enrollment form in the mail for dental insurance. Do I need to fill this form out?

A7: Residents do not need to fill out a dental insurance enrollment form. Residents were enrolled in the dental insurance when he/she filled out the health insurance enrollment form.
SVMIC Conference 2009

The annual State Volunteer Mutual Insurance Company Risk Management Conference is scheduled to be held on September 17-18th. There are three sessions that will be offered: one evening session from 5:30-8:00pm on Thursday, Sept. 17th; a morning session from 8:00-10:30am on Friday, Sept. 18th; and an afternoon session from 11:30-2:00pm on Sept. 18th. All residents are required to attend one session. Residents need to see their program coordinator for details.

This year’s conference will focus on reducing malpractice risk and the “Five C’s” of risk management. The featured speakers include F. Laurens Brock, attorney and David Ross, Ph.D.

Resident Kudos!

Sreekrishna Donepudi, MD (ENT) has been selected to receive a $500.00 AAO-HNS/F Resident Leadership Grant to attend the 2009 Annual Meeting & OTO EXPO, October 4-7, 2009 in San Diego, CA. Dr. Donepudi will be presenting a poster at the meeting.

Dr. Dima Turpin (Ped Cardiology) published an article with Dr. Vijaya Joshi and Holly Britt, in Cardiology in the Young 2009; entitled: Echocardiographic diagnosis of dual connections to ascending and descending vertical veins in the setting of totally anomalous pulmonary venous connection.


Adam ElNaggar, MD (PGY1, Department of OB/GYN). Research from medical school was approved by CAOG for an oral presentation in Maui, Hawaii in October.

Expecting Parents

Dr. So-Yu Chan-Siegfried is expecting “twins” due February, 2010.

Don’t drink the water in Rout, 9 OB/GYN residents are expecting.

Dr. Neetu Grewal on the birth of her baby girl, born in July.

Dr. Nida Zahra on the birth of her baby boy, born in August.

Dr. Sage Naran married in July.

It’s a boy!!!
CONGRATULATIONS, Drs. Rye and Jeremie Estepp on the birth of their baby boy.

Heath Isaiah Estepp
DOB: 8/4/09 @ 4:03am
Wt. 7lbs. 5oz.
Length: 20 in

It’s a boy!!!
CONGRATULATIONS, Dr. Chafeek & Sara Tomeh on the birth of their baby boy.

Layth Salaheddine Tomeh
DOB 6/23/09 @ 13:31 p.m.
Wt. 7 lbs. 4 oz.
Length 22 in.

It’s a girl!!!
CONGRATULATIONS, Dr. Ryan and Tracy Jones on the birth of their baby girl.

Hudson Bess Jones
DOB: 3/5/09
Wt. 7lbs. 1oz.
In July, all new interns were invited to the home of Dr. Jeff Warren, a local Family Physician and member of the Memphis City School Board, for a welcome to Memphis social. This event was sponsored by IMPACT, an arm of the Tennessee Medical Association. It was a great time to take a break from the beginning of intern year and get to know each other. IMPACT is the TMA’s political action committee, and they were able to have the Tennessee State Senate Majority Leader, Mark Norris stop by to socialize with Memphis’s newest doctors. Everyone had a great time, and Dr. Warren is planning to open his home to us again next year. IMPACT plans to have more state legislators attend the next social. As the state’s lawmakers get to know more doctors and understand our concerns, we have a greater influence on the bills that are passed in Nashville. This was evident by the enormous success the TMA had this year in passing pro-medicine laws and defeating those that harm the health of Tennesseans and the medical profession. Future opportunities are coming, and we are looking for more resident involvement. To join IMPACT or find out more, visit www.medwire.org/impact or email John Vickery at jvickery@utmem.edu.

2009 IMPACT Social for Incoming Residents
by: John Vickery, MD
Get to know your representatives!!!
2009-2010 Graduate Medical Education Committee Members

| Chair: | Gene Mangiante, MD, Executive Associate Dean of GME |
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| Internal Review: | Jim G. Johnson, MD, Nephrology Jim Pate, MD, Surgery |
| Coordinator Rep: | Carol Blackman, Neurology |

New Resident Forum
During the 2009-2010 academic year, two of the Systems-Based lectures will be replaced with resident forums led by the four GMEC resident representatives. Residents will be able to raise issues and discuss problems with the representatives without fear of intimidation or retaliation. No program directors, coordinators, faculty or GME personnel will be present.

Think About It??
Have you ever used your cell phone or camera to take a picture of a patient?
Is this a bad thing? Why?
What legal implications does this hold?
What are the boundaries for using such photographs as educational materials in grand rounds and other presentations?

**Coming Soon to a GME Office near You**
GME Resident Benefit At-a-glance Brochure
Congratulations!!!!!

Successful ACGME Site Visits

Institutional
Continued Accreditation
3 year cycle

Dermatopathology
Continued Accreditation
5 year cycle

Transitional Year
Continued Accreditation
5 year cycle

New Program Directors
Glenn Wetzel, MD (Ped Cardiology)
Bilal Ahmed, MD (Geriatric Psych)
Rosemary Stocks, MD (Otolaryngology)

ACGME Glossary of Terms
Frequently used ACGME terms are compiled into a glossary that is very helpful when navigating the website, RRC requirements, PIF questions, Resident surveys, etc. Each issue of the Insider will highlight several of the terms included in the glossary.

ACGME mandates that resident’s performance be evaluated throughout his/her training. Evaluations are described as either formative or summative.

Summative Evaluation: Assessment with the primary purpose of establishing whether or not performance measured at a single defined point in time meets established performance standards, permanently recorded in the form of a grade or score.

Formative Evaluation: Assessment of a resident/fellow with the primary purpose of providing feedback for improvement as well as to reinforce skills and behaviors that meet established criteria and standards without passing a judgment in the form of a permanently recorded grade or score.

Coordinator’s Corner
Recruitment Tip
On our recent survey of program recruitment procedures, we asked coordinators whether they participated in the evaluation of the applicants from their perspective as coordinator. Out of 39 responses, 17 or 44% said “Yes.” We believe a coordinator’s input is important. If you have the opportunity to talk with interviewees, here are some open-ended questions that you can ask:
• How did you hear about us?
• What is your hometown?
• Why did you choose ______? (your specialty)
• What have you heard about our program?
• What are your plans between graduation and the beginning of your residency?
• What other programs are you visiting?

Although you may not realize it, you as coordinator play a vital role in promoting the program to recruits. You are one of the first program representatives to speak with and assist the recruits. “You never get a second chance to make a first impression.”

MedEd Portal provides FREE access to “quality, peer-reviewed teaching material and assessment tools.” You can search by topic or specialty to find a wide variety of learning activities including tutorials, virtual presentations, simulation cases, lab guides, videos, etc. To join visit www.aamc.org/mededportal.

Attention Program Directors!!
Do you need learning activities to teach socioeconomic and ethical issues, residents to teach, or commitment to professionalism??

Then MedEd Portal is for you!
Upcoming Events (Oct-Dec 09)

**Systems Based Lecture Series**
North Auditorium, Coleman
- Oct 2: Offsite Library Access
- Nov 6: Quality Improvement
- Dec 4: Healthcare costs

**Program Coordinator’s Meeting**
North Auditorium, Coleman
- Oct 8th
- Nov 12th
- Dec 10th

**Graduate Medical Education Committee Meeting**
A101 Coleman 12-2pm
- Oct 9th
- Nov 13th
- Dec 11th

**Internal Reviews**
- Geriatric Psychiatry: Nov. 12th
- Neurophysiology: Dec. 1st

**ACGME Site Visits**
- Surgery: Oct 27th
- Neurology: Oct 28th
- Ch. Neurology: Oct 29th

**2009 Program Director Retreat**
Sept 25-26th

**Residents are you Concerned? Have Questions?**

**DIO Open Door Policy**
When: 8am-4:30pm
Where: 910 Madison Suite 1031
Who: Mary Ann Watson, DIO

**Need a lift to the hospital or your car in the dead of night? Call 448-4444 and ask for the:**

**GME Shuttle Service**
6:00pm-6:00am
For residents, faculty, staff, and students

The van sits at the entrance of the Pauline Garage ready to roll.

Suggestions? Comments? Please let us know what you would find useful in the UT GME Newsletter. Call 448-5364 or email ahall32@utmem.edu