Policies and Procedures

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PURPOSE

GME Programs, in partnership with Creighton University, must design an effective program structure that is configured to provide residents with educational and clinical experience opportunities, as well as reasonable opportunities for rest and personal activities.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all Creighton University Endocrinology Fellows.

POLICY

Clinical and Education Work Hours

The schedule has been arranged to ensure reasonable work hours for trainees. Fellows may not exceed 80 hours per week of in-house duty averaged over a four-week period. There is no in-house call requirement for endocrinology. Work hours, including those hours worked returning to the hospital on call, are monitored with frequent surveys. Fellows will enter work hours weekly and PC and PD will monitor work hours on a weekly basis.

Fellows track duty hours via the New Innovation electronic system and are required to report the circumstances for violations of duty hours. As a result, monitoring for fatigue can be prioritized for that fellow. If a fellow is too fatigued to complete assigned duties due to the on-call work load, he/she should communicate with the program director about leaving early and having another trainee or faculty assigned to the clinical duties.

In all circumstances, fellows will have at least eight hours away from the hospital between scheduled duty periods. If medical necessity or educational opportunity result in a breach of the eight-hour duty-free time, the hours worked should be forwarded to the program director.

REFERENCES

https://www.acgme.org/

AMENDMENTS OR TERMINATION OF THIS POLICY

Creighton University reserves the right to modify, amend or terminate this policy at any time.

The GME policy supersedes all program level policies regarding this area/topic. In the event of any discrepancies between program policies and the GME policy, the GME policy shall govern.