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The Milestones are designed only for use in evaluation of resident physicians in the context of their participation in ACGME accredited residency or fellowship programs. The Milestones provide a framework for the assessment of the development of the resident physician in key dimensions of the elements of physician competency in a specialty or subspecialty. They neither represent the entirety of the dimensions of the six domains of physician competency, nor are they designed to be relevant in any other context.

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Milestone Reporting

This document presents milestones designed for programs to use in semi-annual review of resident performance and reporting to the ACGME. Milestones are knowledge, skills, attitudes, and other attributes for each of the ACGME competencies that describe the development of competence from an early learner up to and beyond that expected for unsupervised practice. In the initial years of implementation, the Review Committee will examine milestone performance data for each program's residents as one element in the Next Accreditation System (NAS) to determine whether residents overall are progressing.

The internal medicine milestones are arranged in columns of progressive stages of competence that do not correspond with post-graduate year of education. For each reporting period, programs will need to review the milestones and identify those milestones that best describe a resident's current performance and ultimately select a box that best represents the summary performance for that sub-competency (See the figure on page v.). Selecting a response box in the middle of a column implies that the resident has substantially demonstrated those milestones, as well as those in previous columns. Selecting a response box on a line in between columns indicates that milestones in the lower columns have been substantially demonstrated, as well as some milestones in the higher column.

A general interpretation of each column for internal medicine is as follows:

Critical Deficiencies: These learner behaviors are not within the spectrum of developing competence. Instead they indicate significant deficiencies in a resident's performance.

Column 2: Describes behaviors of an early learner.

Column 3: Describes behaviors of a resident who is advancing and demonstrating improvement in performance related to milestones.

Ready for Unsupervised Practice: Describes behaviors of a resident who substantially demonstrates the milestones identified for a physician who is ready for unsupervised practice. This column is designed as the graduation target, but the resident may display these milestones at any point during residency.

Aspirational: Describes behaviors of a resident who has advanced beyond those milestones that describe unsupervised practice. These milestones reflect the competence of an expert or role model and can be used by programs to facilitate further professional growth. It is expected that only a few exceptional residents will demonstrate these milestones behaviors.

For each ACGME competency domain, programs will also be asked to provide a summative evaluation of each resident's learning trajectory.

Additional Notes

The "Ready for Unsupervised Practice" milestones are designed as the graduation *target* but *do not* represent a graduation *requirement*. Making decisions about readiness for graduation is the purview of the residency program director (See the Milestones FAQ for further discussion of this issue: "Can a resident/fellow graduate if he or she does not reach every milestone?"). Study of Milestone performance data will be required before the ACGME and its partners will be able to determine whether the "Ready for Unsupervised Practice" milestones and all other milestones are in the appropriate stage within the developmental framework, and whether Milestone data are of sufficient quality to be used for high stakes decisions.

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions about Milestones are available on the Milestones web page: <u>http://www.acgme.org/acgmeweb/Portals/0/MilestonesFAQ.pdf</u>.

The diagram below presents an example set of milestones for one sub-competency in the same format as the milestone report worksheet. For each reporting period, a resident's performance on the milestones for each sub-competency will be indicated by:

• selecting the column of milestones that best describes that resident's performance

<u>or</u>

• selecting the "Critical Deficiencies" response box

11. Transitions patien	ts effectively within and across	health delivery systems. (SE	BP4)	
Critical Deficiencies			Ready for unsupervised practice	Aspirational
Disregards need for communication at time of transition	Inconsistently utilizes available resources to coordinate and ensure safe and effective patient care	Recognizes the importance communication during time of transition		Coordinates care within and across health delivery systems to optimize patient safety, increase efficiency and ensure
Does not respond to requests of caregivers in other	within and across delivery systems	Communication with future caregivers is present but wi lapses in pertinent or time!	e delivery systems ith	high quality patient outcomes Anticipates needs of patient,
delivery systems	Written and verbal care plans during times of transition are incomplete or absent Inefficient transitions of care lead to unnecessary expense or risk to a patient (e.g. duplication of tests readmission)	information	, past and future care givers to ensure continuity of care	caregivers and future care providers and takes appropriate steps to address those needs Role models and teaches effective transitions of care
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INTERNAL MEDICINE MILESTONES

ACGME Report Worksheet

Critical Deficiencies											Ready	for unsu	pervised pra	ctice		Aspi	rational	
Does not collect accurate historical data	a ii	nconsistent cquire accunformation ashion	urate histo	orical	and		•	•	es accura ies from	ate	from priorit	oatients i	ate historie n an efficie I hypothesi	nt,	subtle inform	eties, inc	int histor luding se nat inforr agnosis	nsitive
Does not use					See	ks an	d obt	tains d	lata fron	n								
physical exam to confirm history	a	Does not pe oppropriate ohysical exa	ly thorou	-	seco nee	ondar		urces			exams		rate physica targeted to laints				le or unu findings	isual
Relies exclusively on documentation of others to generate own database or		ohysical exa Does not se eliant on se	ek or is ov	verly	ассі	urate	and	•••	ms priately exams		priorit		ta to gener erential dia		of sec	•	zes all so lata to ir agnosis	
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Fails to recognize potentially life threatening problems																		
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Critical Deficiencies									Read	/ for unsu	pervised p	ractice		Aspir	ational	
Care plans are consistently inappropriate or	Inconsistently of appropriate ca	•			stently priate o		•		based	on patie	nodifies ca nt's clinica , and patie	l course,		nodels ar ex and p		
inaccurate	Inconsistently sadditional guid		ı	-	gnizes si ring urg			rgent	prefer	ences	-		Devel	ops custo	omized,	
Does not react to situations that	needed			care					•	nizes dise tations t	ease hat deviat	e from	most	ized care complex	patient	5,
require urgent or emergent care				and/c	additio or consu opriate	-	-	ce		•	rns and re on- making	•	uncer	orating o tainty an iveness p	d cost	
Does not seek additional guidance when needed									-	es comp c disease	lex acute s	and				

Critical Deficiencies			Ready for unsupervised practice	Aspirational
Cannot advance	Requires direct supervision	Requires indirect supervision	Independently manages patients	Manages unusual, rare, or
beyond the need for	to ensure patient safety	to ensure patient safety and	across inpatient and ambulatory	complex disorders
direct supervision in	and quality care	quality care	clinical settings who have a	
the delivery of			broad spectrum of clinical	
patient care	Inconsistently manages	Provides appropriate	disorders including	
	simple ambulatory	preventive care and chronic	undifferentiated syndromes	
Cannot manage	complaints or common	disease management in the		
patients who	chronic diseases	ambulatory setting	Seeks additional guidance	
require urgent or			and/or consultation as	
emergent care	Inconsistently provides	Provides comprehensive care	appropriate	
	preventive care in the	for single or multiple		
Does not assume	ambulatory setting	diagnoses in the inpatient	Appropriately manages	
responsibility for		setting	situations requiring urgent or	
patient	Inconsistently manages		emergent care	
management	patients with	Under supervision, provides		
decisions	straightforward diagnoses	appropriate care in the	Effectively supervises the	
	in the inpatient setting	intensive care unit	management decisions of the team	
	Unable to manage complex	Initiates management plans		
	inpatients or patients	for urgent or emergent care		
	requiring intensive care			
		Cannot independently		
		supervise care provided by		
		junior members of the		
		physician-led team		
Comments:				

Critical Deficiencies							Ready	for unsu	pervised pra	actice		Aspirat	tional	
Attempts to perform procedures without sufficient technical skill or	tecl con	sesses ins hnical skil hpletion c cedures	l for safe	for th	e comp	sic techr letion of cedures	succes	sfully per lures requ	ical skill ar formed all uired for		and s	nizes patie afety wher dures		
supervision Unwilling to perform procedures when qualified and necessary for patient care											perfo (beyc certif antici Teach	to indepe rm additio nd those r ication) tha pated for f	nal proce equired fo at are uture pra pervises th	or Ictice he
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Critical Deficiencies			Ready for unsupervised practice	Aspirational
ls unresponsive to questions or concerns of others when acting as a	Inconsistently manages patients as a consultant to other physicians/health care teams	Provides consultation services for patients with clinical problems requiring basic risk assessment	Provides consultation services for patients with basic and complex clinical problems requiring detailed risk	Switches between the role of consultant and primary physician with ease
consultant or utilizing consultant services	Inconsistently applies risk assessment principles to patients while acting as a	Asks meaningful clinical questions that guide the input of consultants	Appropriately weighs recommendations from	Provides consultation services for patients with very complex clinical problems requiring extensive risk assessment
Unwilling to utilize consultant services when appropriate for patient care	consultant Inconsistently formulates a clinical question for a consultant to address		consultants in order to effectively manage patient care	Manages discordant recommendations from multiple consultants

Patient Care

The resident is demonstrating satisfactory development of the knowledge, skill, and attitudes/behaviors needed to advance in training. He/she is demonstrating a learning trajectory that anticipates the achievement of competency for unsupervised practice that includes the delivery of safe, effective, patient-centered, timely, efficient and equitable care.

Yes _____ No _____ Conditional on Improvement

Critical Deficiencies										Read	y for unsupe	ervised pra	actice		Aspira	tional	
Lacks the scientific, socioeconomic or behavioral knowledge required to provide patient care	sc ar re co co	ossesses in ientific, so id behavio quired to p immon me inditions a eventive c	cioeconc ral know provide c dical nd basic	omic ledge are foi	socio knov prov medi	esses the econom rledge re de care cal cond entive ca	nic a equi for ditio	ind beh ired to commo	avioral on	socioe knowle care fo condit	sses the scie conomic ar edge requir or complex ions and co ntive care	nd behavi red to pro medical	ovide	socio know succe treat	esses the s economic ledge requ ssfully dia medically guous and tions	and beha uired to gnose and uncomm	d on,

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	knowledge to apply diagnostic testing and procedures to	basic diagnostic tests accurately Does not understand the concepts of pre-test probability and test performance characteristics Minimally understands the rationale and risks associated with common	diagnostic tests accurately Needs assistance to understand the concepts of pre-test probability and test performance characteristics Fully understands the rationale and risks associated	tests accurately Understands the concepts of pre-test probability and test performance characteristics Teaches the rationale and risks associated with common procedures and anticipates potential complications when	interpreting diagnostic tests and procedures Pursues knowledge of new and emerging diagnostic test

Medical Knowledge

The resident is demonstrating satisfactory development of the knowledge, skill, and attitudes/behaviors needed to advance in training. He/she is demonstrating a learning trajectory that anticipates the achievement of competency for unsupervised practice that includes the delivery of safe, effective, patient-centered, timely, efficient and equitable care.

_____Yes _____No _____ Conditional on Improvement

Critical Deficiencies											Rea	dy for un	uper	vised pra	ctice		As	piratio	nal	
Refuses to recognize the contributions of other interprofessional team members	tea not util	ntifies ro m meml recogni ize them quently	pers but ze how, n as reso	does /when ources		respo meml ineffe	nsibiliti	es o t use	roles a of all tea es them eam	ım	resp effe men	erstands onsibiliti ctively pa nbers of t vely enga	es of Irtne the t	and rs with, eam		tean such maxi	rates a into tl that ea mize th of the	ne care ach is a neir ski	of pat ble to lls in th	tient
Frustrates team members with inefficiency and errors	ren cor res	ninders f nplete p ponsibili nily, ente	rom tea hysiciar ties (e.g	am to 1 g. talk t	0	discus does	sions w not acti	vher ively	n requir v seek ir memb	nput	mee	tings and sion-mak	coll		e	activ men View men	ently c ities of bers to ed by o bers as ery of l	other optim other to s a lead	team lize car eam ler in t	the
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Critical DeficienciesConstructionReady for unsupervised practiceAspirationalIgnores a risk for error within the system that may impact the care of a patientDoes not recognize the potential for system errorRecognizes the potential for error within the systemIdentifies systemic causes of medical error and navigates them to provide safe patient careAdvocates for system leadership to formally engage in quality assurance and quality improvement activitiesIgnores feedback and is unwilling to change behavior in order to reduce the risk for errorNakes decisions that could lead to error which are otherwise cause harmIdentifies obvious or critical causes of error and notifies supervisor accordinglyIdentifies obvious or critical causes of error and notifies systemsAdvocates for safe patient careViewed as a leader in identifying and advocating for the prevention of medical errorIgnores feedback and is unwilling to change behavior in order to reduce the risk for errorResistant to feedback about decisions that may lead to error or otherwise cause harmRecognizes the potential risk system and takes necessary steps to mitigate that riskAdvocates for system resources to investigate and mitigate real or potential medical errorTeaches others regarding the importance of recognizing and mitigating system errorWilling to receive feedback about decisions that may lead to error or otherwise cause harmWilling to receive feedback about decisions that may lead to error or otherwise cause harmReflects upon and learns from own critical incidents that may lead to medical errorMakes decisions tha	9. Recognizes system	n error	and ac	dvocates	s for sys	stem in	nprove	eme	nt. (SE	8P2)										
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Systems-based Practice

The resident is demonstrating satisfactory development of the knowledge, skill, and attitudes/behaviors needed to advance in training. He/she is demonstrating a learning trajectory that anticipates the achievement of competency for unsupervised practice that includes the delivery of safe, effective, patient-centered, timely, efficient and equitable care.

Yes No Conditional on Improvement

12. Monitors practic	e with a goal for improveme	ent. (PBLI1)		
Critical Deficiencies			Ready for unsupervised practice	Aspirational
Unwilling to self- reflect upon one's practice or performance	Unable to self-reflect upon one's practice or performance Misses opportunities for	Inconsistently self-reflects upon one's practice or performance and inconsistently acts upon those reflections	Regularly self-reflects upon one's practice or performance and consistently acts upon those reflections to improve practice	Regularly self-reflects and seeks external validation regarding this reflection to maximize practice improvement
Not concerned with opportunities for learning and self- improvement	learning and self- improvement	Inconsistently acts upon opportunities for learning and self-improvement	Recognizes sub-optimal practice or performance as an opportunity for learning and self-improvement	Actively engages in self- improvement efforts and reflects upon the experience
Comments:				

Critical Deficiencies			Ready for unsupervised practice	Aspirational
Disregards own clinical performance data	Limited awareness of or desire to analyze own clinical performance data	Analyzes own clinical performance data and identifies opportunities for improvement	Analyzes own clinical performance data and actively works to improve performance	Actively monitors clinical performance through various data sources
Demonstrates no inclination to participate in or even consider the results of quality improvement efforts	Nominally participates in a quality improvement projects Not familiar with the principles, techniques or importance of quality improvement	Effectively participates in a quality improvement project Understands common principles and techniques of quality improvement and appreciates the responsibility to assess and improve care for a panel of patients	Actively engages in quality improvement initiatives Demonstrates the ability to apply common principles and techniques of quality improvement to improve care for a panel of patients	Is able to lead a quality improvement project Utilizes common principles and techniques of quality improvement to continuously improve care for a panel of patients
Comments:				

Critical Deficiencies										Read	ly for unsu	per	vised pra	ctice			Aspirat	iona	l
Never solicits feedback		ely seeks ponds to		ed supervisors members of the interprofessional team and						re	eflec	rmance con ets incorpor ted and uns	atio	n of					
Actively resists feedback from	fee	dback in a nion					soli	cited		patie	•						back		
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reverts to a reflexive		a problem, asl	k for hel	o, or	probl	em, ask	for h	nelp, or seek	proble	m, ask for	help, or se	ek	by the	characteri	stics of	
patterned response even when		seek new info	rmation		new i	nformat	tion		new in	formation			clinica	l questions		
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		information ne	eeds int	C	inform	nation r	need	s into well-	medica	al informat	ion needs	into	clinica	l research	reports b	ased
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Practice-Based Learning and Improvement

The resident is demonstrating satisfactory development of the knowledge, skill, and attitudes/behaviors needed to advance in training. He/she is demonstrating a learning trajectory that anticipates the achievement of competency for unsupervised practice that includes the delivery of safe, effective, patient-centered, timely, efficient and equitable care.

Yes _____ No _____ Conditional on Improvement

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17. Accepts respons	ib	ility and follows through o	n tasks. (PROF2)		
Critical Deficiencies				Ready for unsupervised practice	Aspirational
Is consistently	T	Completes most assigned	Completes administrative and	Prioritizes multiple competing	Role models prioritizing
unreliable in		tasks in a timely manner	patient care tasks in a timely	demands in order to complete	multiple competing demands
completing patient		but may need multiple	manner in accordance with	tasks and responsibilities in a	in order to complete tasks and
care responsibilities		reminders or other support	local practice and/or policy	timely and effective manner	responsibilities in a timely and
or assigned					effective manner
administrative tasks		Accepts professional	Completes assigned	Willingness to assume	
		responsibility only when	professional responsibilities	professional responsibility	Assists others to improve their
Shuns		assigned or mandatory	without questioning or the	regardless of the situation	ability to prioritize multiple,
responsibilities			need for reminders		competing tasks
expected of a					
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Critical Deficiencies										Ready	for unsu	pervised	oractice		Aspir	ational	
Is insensitive to differences related to culture, ethnicity, gender, race, age, and religion in the patient/caregiver encounter Is unwilling to modify care plan to account for a patient's unique characteristics and needs	awaren related ethnici and rel patient encour Requir modify for a p	tive to a hess of d to cultu ty, gende igion in t /caregiv ter es assista care pla atient's u ceristics a	ifferend re, er, race :he er ance to n to ac inique	es , age count	patier chara based gende prefer Modi for a chara	nt's unic cteristic upon c er, religi rence fies care patient'	que cs and culture on, ai e plan cs anc cs anc	erstand of I needs e, ethnio nd perso n to acco que d needs	city, onal ount	unique of the p Approp to acco	characte oatient/ riately n unt for a	accounts eristics ar caregiver nodifies c a patient' and need	nd needs are plan s unique	intera differ patier chara Role r respe	nodels p loctions to ences rel nt's uniqu cteristics nodels co ct for pat cteristics	negotia ated to a ie or need onsistent ient's ur	te a s t
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19. Exhibits integrity	/ and	l ethica	l beł	navior	in pro	fess	ion	al con	duc	t. (PRO	OF4)										
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	pr	ofessior	nal ac	tions		De	emo	nstrate	es ac	counta	bility	Active	ly mana	ges	challeng	ing					
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accountable for	Ha	as a basi	c uno	dersta	nding							intere	st				hon	esty, ad	ccount	ability	/ and
personal actions	of	ethical	princ	iples, t	formal	Ac	lher	es to e	ethic	al prino	ciples						prof	ession	al cono	duct ir	n all
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Professionalism

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_____ Yes _____ No _____ Conditional on Improvement

Critical Deficiencies				Ready for un	supervised practice		Aspirational
Ignores patient	Engages patients in	Engages pa	atients in shared	Identifies and	l incorporates	Role r	models effective
preferences for plan	discussions of care plans	decision m	iaking in	patient prefe	rence in shared	comm	nunication and
of care	and respects patient	uncomplic	ated conversations	decision mak	ing across a wide	devel	opment of therapeutic
	preferences when offere	d		variety of pat	ient care	relatio	onships in both routine
Makes no attempt	by the patient, but does	not Requires a	ssistance facilitating	conversation	S	and c	hallenging situations
to engage patient in	actively solicit preference	es. discussion	s in difficult or				
shared decision-		ambiguou	s conversations	Quickly estab	olishes a	Mode	els cross-cultural
making	Attempts to develop			therapeutic r	elationship with	comm	nunication and
	therapeutic relationships	6 Requires g	guidance or	patients and	caregivers,	estab	lishes therapeutic
Routinely engages	with patients and	assistance	to engage in	including per	sons of different	relatio	onships with persons of
in antagonistic or	caregivers but is often	communio	ation with persons		ic and cultural		se socioeconomic
counter-therapeutic	unsuccessful	of differer	nt socioeconomic	backgrounds		backg	grounds
relationships with		and cultur	al backgrounds				
patients and	Defers difficult or			Incorporates	patient-specific		
caregivers	ambiguous conversation	S		preferences i	nto plan of care		
	to others						
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Critical Deficiencies									Read	y for unsu	pervised pr	actice		Aspir	ational	
Utilizes	Uses unidire	ectional		Incon	sistently	y enga	ages in		Consis	tently an	d actively		Role r	nodels ai	nd teac	nes
communication	communica	tion that fai	ls to	collab	orative	comr	nunicat	tion	engage	es in colla	borative		collab	orative c	ommur	nicatior
strategies that	utilize the v	isdom of th	e	with a	appropr	iate m	nembei	rs of	comm	unication	with all		with t	he team	to enha	nce
hamper	team			the te					memb	ers of the	e team		patier	nt care, e	ven in	
collaboration and														enging set		nd with
teamwork	Resists offe	rs of		Incon	sistently	vemn	novs ve	rhal	Verhal	non-ver	bal and wr	itten		cting tea	-	
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collaboration with																
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22. Appropriate utili	zation and	completio	n of he	alth re	cords.	(ICS3)											
Critical Deficiencies									Ready	y for unsu	pervised p	oractice			Aspirati	ional	
Health records are absent or missing significant portions of important clinical data		ecords are nized and te		and a super	h record ccurate ficial ar l to com ning	but are nd miss	e key (data	accura effectiv reason Health	te, comp vely com ing records	are orgar rehensive municate are succii atient spe	e, and clinical nct,	imj acc hea	portan curate alth ree	ce of or and cor cords th	teaches ganized npreher nat are ient spe	l, nsive
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Interpersonal and Communications Skills

The resident is demonstrating satisfactory development of the knowledge, skill, and attitudes/behaviors needed to advance in training. He/she is demonstrating a learning trajectory that anticipates the achievement of competency for unsupervised practice that includes the delivery of safe, effective, patient-centered, timely, efficient and equitable care.

_____ Yes _____ No _____ Conditional on Improvement

Overall Clinical Competence

This rating represents the assessment of the resident's development of overall clinical competence during this year of training:

- _____ Superior: Far exceeds the expected level of development for this year of training
- _____ Satisfactory: Always meets and occasionally exceeds the expected level of development for this year of training
- ____ Conditional on Improvement: Meets some developmental milestones but occasionally falls short of the expected level of development for this year of training. An improvement plan is in place to facilitate achievement of competence appropriate to the level of training.
- _____ Unsatisfactory: Consistently falls short of the expected level of development for this year of training.

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The Milestones are designed only for use in evaluation of resident physicians in the context of their participation in ACGME-accredited residency or fellowship programs. The Milestones provide a framework for the assessment of the development of the resident physician in key dimensions of the elements of physician competency in a specialty or subspecialty. They neither represent the entirety of the dimensions of the six domains of physician competency, nor are they designed to be relevant in any other context.

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Milestone Reporting

This document presents milestones designed for programs to use in semi-annual review of resident performance and reporting to the ACGME. Milestones are knowledge, skills, attitudes, and other attributes for each of the ACGME competencies organized in a developmental framework from less to more advanced. They are descriptors and targets for resident performance as the resident moves from entry into residency through graduation. In the initial years of implementation, the Review Committee will examine Milestone performance data for each program's residents as one element in the Next Accreditation System (NAS) to determine whether residents overall are progressing.

For each reporting period, review and reporting will involve selecting the level of milestones that best describes each resident's current performance level in relation to these milestones. Milestones are arranged into numbered levels. Selection of a level implies that the resident substantially demonstrates the milestones in that level, as well as those in lower levels (see the diagram on page v). A general interpretation of levels for anesthesiology is below:

- Level 1: The resident demonstrates milestones expected of a resident who has completed one post-graduate year of education in either an integrated anesthesiology program or another preliminary education year prior to entering the CA1 year in anesthesiology.
- **Level 2:** The resident demonstrates milestones expected of a resident in anesthesiology residency prior to significant experience in the subspecialties of anesthesiology.
- Level 3: The resident demonstrates milestones expected of a resident after having experience in the subspecialties of anesthesiology.
- **Level 4:** The resident substantially fulfills the milestones expected of an anesthesiology residency, and is ready to transition to independent practice. This level is designed as the graduation target.
- **Level 5:** The resident has advanced beyond performance targets defined for residency, and is demonstrating "aspirational" goals which might describe the performance of someone who has been in practice for several years. It is expected that only a few exceptional residents will reach this level for selected milestones.

Additional Notes

Level 4 is designed as the graduation *target* but does *not* represent a graduation *requirement*. Making decisions about readiness for graduation is the purview of the residency program director (See the Milestones FAQ for further discussion of this issue: "Can a resident/fellow graduate if he or she does not reach every milestone?"). Study of Milestone performance data will be required before the ACGME and its partners will be able to determine whether Level 4 milestones and milestones in lower levels are in the appropriate level within the developmental framework, and whether Milestone data are of sufficient quality to be used for departmental and accreditation decisions.

Some milestone descriptions include statements about performing independently. These activities must follow ACGME supervision guidelines. For example, a resident who performs a procedure or takes independent call must, at a minimum, be supervised through oversight.

The diagram below presents an example set of milestones for one sub-competency in the same format as the milestone report worksheet. For each reporting period, a resident's performance on the milestones for each sub-competency will be indicated by:

- selecting the level of milestones that best describes the resident's performance in relation to those milestones
- or
- selecting the "Has not Achieved Level 1" option

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1		Level 2			Level 3		Level 4			Level 5
	Performs a focused		ifies relevant crit	tical		ntifies		es appropriate care	setting		dinates transition
	evaluation of the		se processes			ropriate care		ordinates patient's			re to appropriate
	critically ill patient.		ring urgent or			ing and		ion with indirect			setting.
	Monitors patient's		gent intervention assistance to	n.		rdinates	supervis	sion			clinically
	clinical status to identify acute changes and		assistance to fy appropriate c			ient's osition with	Defines	clinically appropriat			opriate priorities n resources are
	trends. Communicates pertinent findings to	settin	g (e.g., ICU, tional care unit)			ct supervision		es when resources a		limit	
	supervisor				Prio	ritizes clinical				Serve	es as a consultant
		Deve	ops, implements	s,	mar	nagement of	Integrat	tes management ch	oices	to ot	her members of
	Participates in	and a	ppropriately		clini	ical problems	taking i	nto account long-te	rm	the h	nealth care team
	development and		fies treatment p	lan		n indirect		of therapeutic decis	ions	· · ·	rding initial
	initiation of a treatment		l on patient's		sup	ervision	with ind	direct supervision			uation and
	plan as directed by		nse with direct						6.1		agement of the
	supervisor	super	vision					ses other members	of the	critic	ally ill patient
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ANESTHESIOLOGY MILESTONES ACGME Report Worksheet

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Performs general histories and physical examinations Identifies clinical issues relevant to anesthetic care with direct supervision Identifies the elements and process of informed consent	Identifies disease processes and medical issues relevant to anesthetic care Optimizes preparation of non-complex patients receiving anesthetic care Obtains informed consent for routine anesthetic care; discusses likely risks, benefits, and alternatives in a straightforward manner; responds appropriately to patient's or surrogate's questions; recognizes when assistance is needed	Identifies disease processes and medical or surgical issues relevant to subspecialty anesthetic care; may need guidance in identifying unusual clinical problems and their implications for anesthesia care Optimizes preparation of patients with complex problems or requiring subspecialty anesthesia care with indirect supervision Obtains appropriate informed consent	Performs assessment of complex or critically-ill patients without missing major issues that impact anesthesia care with conditional independence Optimizes preparation of complex or critically- ill patients with conditional independence Obtains appropriate informed consent tailored to subspecialty care or complicated clinical situations with conditional	Independently perform comprehensive assessment for all patients Independently serves a a consultant to other members of the health care team regarding optimal pre-anesthetic preparation Consistently ensures that informed consent comprehensive and addresses patient and family needs
			tailored to subspecialty care or complicated clinical situations with indirect supervision	independence	

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Formulates patient care	Formulates anesthetic plans	Formulates anesthetic	Formulates and tailors	Independently
	plans that include	for patients undergoing	plans for patients	anesthetic plans that	formulates anesthetic
	consideration of	routine procedures that	undergoing common	include consideration of	plans that include
	underlying clinical	include consideration of	subspecialty procedures	medical, anesthetic, and	consideration of
	conditions, past medical	underlying clinical	that include	surgical risk factors and	medical, anesthetic, an
	history, and patient,	conditions, past medical	consideration of	patient preference for	surgical risk factors, as
	medical, or surgical risk	history, patient, anesthetic,	medical, anesthetic, and	patients with complex	well as patient
	factors	and surgical risk factors,	surgical risk factors, and	medical issues	preference, for comple
		and patient choice	that take into	undergoing complex	patients and procedure
	Adapts to new settings		consideration a patient's	procedures with	
	for delivery of patient	Conducts routine	anesthetic preference	conditional	Conducts complex
	care	anesthetics, including		independence	anesthetic managemen
		management of commonly	Conducts subspecialty		independently
		encountered physiologic	anesthetics with indirect	Conducts complex	
		alterations associated with	supervision, but may	anesthetics with	
		anesthetic care, with	require direct	conditional	
		indirect supervision	supervision for more	independence; may	
			complex procedures and	supervise others in the	
		Adapts to new settings for	patients	management of complex	
		delivery of anesthetic care		clinical problems	

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Recognizes and initiates management of common pain states; seeks advice for management of pain that does not respond to routine therapies	Manages uncomplicated peri-procedural pain with indirect supervision; requires direct supervision for complex pain situations	Manages complex peri- procedural pain with indirect supervision; consults with a pain medicine specialist when appropriate	Manages complex peri- procedural pain for all patients, including those with chronic pain, with conditional independence Recognizes the need to consult a pain medicine specialist to address complex pain management issues or co-existing chronic pain states that are not responsive to usual management strategies	Independently manages peri- procedural pain state

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Performs patient assessments and identifies complications associated with patient care; begins initial management of complications with direct supervision	Performs post-anesthetic assessment to identify complications of anesthetic care; begins initial management of peri- anesthetic complications with direct supervision	Identifies and manages peri-anesthetic complications unique to subspecialty or medically complex patients, and requests appropriate consultations with indirect supervision	Identifies and manages all peri- anesthetic complications with conditional independence	Independently identifies and manages all peri- anesthetic complication

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Recognizes acutely ill or medically deteriorating patients; initiates basic medical care for common acute events; calls for help appropriately	Constructs prioritized differential diagnoses that include the most likely etiologies for acute clinical deterioration; initiates treatment with indirect supervision and seeks direct supervision appropriately	Identifies and manages clinical crises with indirect supervision; may require direct supervision in complex situations	Identifies and manages clinical crises appropriately with conditional independence; assumes increasing responsibility for leadership of crisis response team	Coordinates crisis team response

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Performs a focused	Identifies relevant critical	Identifies appropriate care	Identifies appropriate care	Coordinates transition
	evaluation of the	disease processes	setting and coordinates	setting and coordinates	of care to appropria
	critically-ill patient;	requiring urgent or	patient's disposition with	patient's disposition with	care setting; sets
	monitors patient's	emergent intervention;	direct supervision	indirect supervision	clinically appropriat
	clinical status to identify	seeks assistance to			priorities when
	acute changes and	identify appropriate care	Prioritizes clinical	Defines clinically	resources are limite
	trends; communicates	setting (e.g., ICU,	management of clinical	appropriate priorities when	
	pertinent findings to	transitional care unit)	problems with indirect	resources are limited	Serves as a consulta
	supervisor		supervision		to other members of
		Develops, implements,		Integrates management	the health care tea
	Participates in	and appropriately		choices taking into account	regarding initial
	development and	modifies treatment plan		long-term impact of	evaluation and
	initiation of a treatment	based on patient's		therapeutic decisions with	management of the
	plan as directed by supervisor	response with direct supervision		indirect supervision	critically-ill patient
				Supervises other members	
				of the health care team	

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1		Level 2		L	evel 3			Lev	el 4			Level S	5
	Performs targeted history and physical examination for patients with pain, including the use of common pain scales Initiates non- interventional, routine therapy for common pain problems with indirect supervision	acute ar syndron efficacy medicat Impleme interver treatme indirect Perform interver procedu point inj injection interlam steroid i intraver blocks) supervis	es common nd chronic panes; evaluate of current tion regimen ents non- ntional pain ent plans wit supervision as simple ntional pain ures (e.g., trig jections, sca ns, lumbar ninar epidura injection [ES nous [IV] reg with direct sion es structures ultrasound	es t h r al I], ional	Formulates diagnoses chronic pai identifies a diagnostic Participate procedures ESI, medial blocks, rad procedures blocks) for acute, chro related pai supervision Prescribes for pain me adjusts ong medication with indire uses ultras fluoroscop supervision	of acute ar n syndrom ppropriate evaluation s in comple s (e.g., thou branch iofrequence s, sympath alleviating nic, or can n, under din initial ther edication, a going regimens ct supervis ound and y with dire	ex racic cy etic irect apy and	acute junio healt cond Consi anest regar mana appro Reco failur appro incluo	as consul e pain ma r residen h care pr itional in ults with thesiolog rding pair agement opriate gnizes tro opriate co ding with cine spec	anageme its and o roviders depende non- ist speci n as eatment btains onsultat n a pain	ent to other with ence ialists	coordi patien pain p Serves other health regard evalua manag patien	ipates in ination of its with co roblems as as a cons members acare tean ding initia ation and gement o it with act ic, or cand d pain	sultant to of the m I f the ute,
		basic flu	ioroscopy											

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Recognizes airway patency and adequacy of ventilation based on clinical assessment Positions patient for airway management; places oral and nasal airways; performs bag- valve-mask ventilation	Applies knowledge of the American Society of Anesthesiologist (ASA) difficult airway algorithm to prepare equipment and supplies for airway management Performs basic airway management in patients with normal airways, including endotracheal intubation, supraglottic airways, and videolaryngoscopy Recognizes need for assistance and/or equipment and seeks help	Prepares appropriate equipment and supplies for management of difficult airways, including cricothyroidotomy Performs advanced airway management techniques, including awake intubations, fiberoptic intubations, and lung isolation techniques	Identifies and corrects problems and complications associated with airway management (e.g., hypoxemia during one-lung ventilation, airway hemorrhage) with conditional independence Manages all airways, including under special situations (e.g., trauma, patients with tracheostomies, loss of airway), with conditional independence	Independently assesses and manages the airwa for all clinical situations utilizing appropriate advanced airway techniques, including cricothyroidotomy Independently supervises and provides consultation to other members of the health care team for airway management

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Demonstrates the correct use of standard monitoring devices, including blood pressure (BP) cuff, electrocardiogram (ECG), pulse oximeter, and temperature monitors Interprets data from standard monitoring devices, including recognition of artifacts	Performs pre-anesthetic equipment and machine checks Inserts arterial and central venous catheters with direct supervision Demonstrates use of ultrasound for placement of invasive catheters Interprets data from arterial and central venous catheters Recognizes and appropriately troubleshoots malfunctions of standard ASA monitoring equipment and anesthesia machines	Inserts arterial catheters with conditional independence and central venous catheters with indirect supervision Performs advanced monitoring techniques for assessing cardiac function (e.g., pulmonary artery catheterization, transesophageal echocardiography) with direct supervision Applies data from advanced monitoring devices (e.g., electroencephalogram [EEG], motor evoked potentials [MEPs], somatosensory evoked potentials [SSEPs], fetal monitors) with indirect supervision Recognizes and appropriately troubleshoots malfunctions of advanced monitoring equipment	Obtains vascular access in complex or difficult situations with conditional independence Performs advanced monitoring techniques for assessing cardiac function (e.g., pulmonary artery catheterization, transesophageal echocardiography) with indirect supervision Supervises other members of the health care team in the placement and interpretation of monitoring techniques Recognizes equipment malfunctions and troubleshoots appropriately	Independently select and uses basic and advanced monitoring techniques

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2		Leve	el 3			Level 4	1			Level 5
	Demonstrates sterile technique Administers infiltrative local anesthetics for procedures under direct supervision Identifies physiologic changes associated with local anesthesia administration and seeks help appropriately	Applies appropriate monitors and prepar resuscitative equipm prior to performing regional anesthesia procedures Performs spinal and epidural anesthesia under direct supervi Recognizes problem complications associated with regina anesthesia, and manages them with direct supervision	res in hent in sion in s or in conal in s in conal in s or in conal in s or in conal in s or in s or in s or in s or in s or i	Performs peri nerve blocks a anesthesia ur supervision, in both upper ar extremity blo thoracic epidu Uses ultrasou stimulator gu techniques ap Performs com pediatric regional anesthetics (e blockade) wit supervision Recognizes pr complications with regional and manages indirect super	and region der direct ncluding nd lower cks and urals nd or nerv ded propriate mon onal e.g., cauda h direct oblems o associate anesthesi them with	nal a t b ir S ir a ve h is ely a N c al w ir r ed ia	and peripolocks windepend Supervision perfor anesthet health cassues re anesthes Manages complication with regional complication of the second	es junion ming rep tics and o are provi lated to sia s problem ations as ional and ditional	r resid gional other iders c regior ms or sociat	ents on nal	periphe regiona techniq Indepen probler complie	ndently manage ns or cations ted with regiona
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Medical Knowledge 1: Knowledge of biomedical, clinical, epidemiological, and social-behavioral sciences as outlined in the American Board of Anesthesiology Content Outline

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Demonstrates knowledge	Achieves satisfactory	Achieves satisfactory	Achieves satisfactory	Passes the ABA
	of the etiology, pathophysiology,	Medical Knowledge rating by the Clinical	Medical Knowledge rating by the CCC related	Medical Knowledge rating by the CCC related to	Advanced and Applied Examinations and
	diagnosis, and treatment	Competence Committee	to the anesthetic care of	anesthetic care of all	enrolls in Maintenance
	of common medical and	(CCC) related to the	subspecialty or	patients	of Certification in
	surgical problems	anesthetic care of	medically-complex	A 1 '	Anesthesiology (MOCA)
	Has passed Steps 1 and 2	healthy patients undergoing routine	patients	Achieves a program- defined score on the ABA	
	of the United States	procedures	Achieves a program-	In-Training Examination or	
	Medical Licensing		defined score on the ABA	equivalent examination	
	Examination (USMLE) or the Comprehensive	Achieves a program- defined score on the	In-Training Examination or equivalent		
	Osteopathic Medical	American Board of	examination		
	Licensing Examination	Anesthesiology (ABA) In-			
	(COMLEX)	Training Examination or equivalent examination	Passes the ABA Basic Examination		
		equivalent examination			
		Has passed all steps of			
		USMLE or COMLEX			
Comments:					

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Identifies the roles of patients, families, health care providers, and systems in health care delivery and outcome	Prioritizes multiple patient care activities with indirect supervision for routine procedures Uses system resources to	Prioritizes multiple patient care activities with indirect supervision for patients undergoing common subspecialty procedures	Manages multiple patient care activities with conditional independence Uses system resources	Effectively coordinates the management of multiple patient car activities
	Identifies priorities when caring for multiple patients Coordinates the care of an individual patient within the health care system	facilitate cost-effective and safe non-subspecialty anesthesia care	Uses system resources to facilitate cost-effective and safe subspecialty anesthesia care	to facilitate and optimize cost- effective and safe longitudinal peri- operative care	
	effectively and safely				

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Describes common causes of errors Describes team-based actions and techniques designed to enhance patient safety Participates in established institutional safety initiatives Follows institutional safety policies, including reporting of problematic behaviors or processes, errors, near misses, and complications Incorporates national standards and guidelines into patient care	Uses the safety features of medical devices Participates in team-based actions designed to enhance patient safety, (e.g., briefings, closed- loop communication) Identifies problems in the quality of health care delivery within one's institution and brings this to the attention of supervisors Incorporates anesthesiology-specific national standards and guidelines into patient care	Describes and participates in systems and procedures that promote patient safety Identifies departmental and or institutional opportunities to improve quality of care Participates in quality improvement activities as a member of an inter- professional team to improve patient outcomes Takes patient preferences into consideration while promoting cost-effective patient care that improves outcomes	Applies advanced team techniques designed to enhance patient safety (e.g., 'assertiveness') Participates in formal analysis (e.g., root cause analysis, failure mode effects analysis) of medical error and sentinel events with direct supervision Identifies opportunities in the continuum of care to improve patient outcome and reduce costs	Leads multidisciplinary teams (e.g., human factor engineers, social scientists) to address patient safety issues Provides consultation to organizations to improve personal and patient safety Proactively participates in educational sessions priot to using new advanced medical devices for patient care Defines and constructs process and outcome measures, and leads quality improvement projects Effectively addresses areas in anesthesiology practice that pose potential dangers to
					patients

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Has knowledge that patient safety issues exist in medicine and that they should be prevented (e.g., drug errors, wrong site surgery)	Identifies impact of one's decisions on patient outcomes Identifies patient safety issues within one's practice, and develops a quality improvement plan to address deficiencies with direct supervision	Identifies patient safety issues within one's practice, and participates in quality improvement plans to address them	Carries out most steps of a quality improvement project	Routinely carries out all steps of quality improvement projects to enhance patient safety

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Identifies critical incidents or potentially harmful events pertaining to one's patients, and brings them to the attention of the supervisor	Identifies adverse events and near misses, and analyzes personal practice to determine the reason they occurred Modifies personal practice to minimize likelihood of recurrence of adverse events related to routine anesthesia care With support from faculty members, compares personal performance and outcomes to those of peers Uses multi-source (peer, faculty member, nurses, other) feedback to improve practice with faculty member guidance	Identifies adverse events and near misses related to subspecialty rotations, and modifies personal practice to minimize likelihood of recurrence of adverse events related to sub-specialty anesthesia care Compares personal performance and patient outcomes to accepted standards and comparative data, and uses data to improve practice	Analyzes personal practices to determine potential risk of adverse outcomes and develops strategies to reduce likelihood of recurrence Prospectively assesses clinical practices and identifies alternative approaches to clinical management to minimize likelihood of adverse events based on currently published data, and comparison of personal practice to peers and supervisors Uses multi-source feedback to independently improve practice	Uses comparative benchmark data about outcomes and clinical practice patterns withir the department, facility or health system to analyze performance of self and group

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Completes assigned readings and prescribed learning	Reviews the literature and information relevant to specific clinical assignments	Differentiates evidence- based information from non-evidence-based	Incorporates evidence- based medicine practices into patient management	Refines clinical practice based on evolving medica evidence
	activities Uses clinical opportunities to direct	Periodically modifies learning plan based on analysis of multi-source	resources to address specific patient management needs	Takes responsibility for integrating past experience, multiple	Continually analyzes personal practice to focus self-directed lifelong
	self-learning	feedback, quality data, examination performance, and self-reflection with	Incorporates experiences from subspecialty	learning activities, and self-reflection to direct	learning
	Develops a learning plan relevant to clinical practice	program guidance	rotations to modify learning plan	lifelong learning independently	

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Discusses medical plans and responds to questions from patients and their families Acknowledges limits and seeks assistance from supervisor	Explains anesthetic care to patients and their families Teaches basic anesthesia concepts to students and other health care professionals	Effectively explains subspecialty anesthetic care to patients and their families Teaches anesthesia concepts to students and other residents	Explains anesthesia care and risk to patients and their families with conditional independence Teaches anesthesia concepts, including subspecialty care, to students, other residents, and other health professionals	Serves as an expert on anesthesiology to patients their families, and other health care professionals, (locally or nationally) Participates in community education about anesthesiology

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	 Acts responsibly and reliably with commitment to patient care as expected for level of experience Completes most assigned clinical tasks on time, but may occasionally require direct supervision Recognizes a patient's right to confidentiality, privacy, and autonomy, and treats patients and their families with compassion and respect Seeks assistance appropriate to the needs of the clinical situation while taking into consideration one's own experience and knowledge Displays sensitivity and respect for the needs of diverse patient populations and challenges associated with limited access to health 	Completes routine tasks reliably in uncomplicated circumstances with indirect supervision Identifies issues of importance to diverse patient populations and how limited resources may impact patient care and resource allocation	Completes tasks reliably in complex clinical situations or unfamiliar environments, utilizing available resources, with indirect supervision Identifies options to address issues of importance to diverse patient populations, and creates strategies to provide care when patient access or resources are limited	Completes all work assignments reliably and supports other providers to ensure patient care is optimized; supervises and advises junior residents on time and task management with conditional independence	Manages the health care team to ensure patient care is the first priority while considering the needs of team members Completes all work assignments reliably, and independently supports othe providers to ensure patient care is optimized Demonstrates leadership in managing multiple competing tasks Manages the health care team in a manner that is respectful of patient confidentiality, privacy, and autonomy, and ensures that patients and the families are treated with compassion and respect Demonstrates mentorship an role modeling regarding responsibilities to diverse patient populations and optimizing patient care when resources are limited
	care				

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Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Is truthful in all forms of communication	Addresses ethical issues common to anesthesiology with	Addresses ethical issues in complex and challenging	Develops a systematic approach to managing ethical dilemmas in clinical	Serves as a role model and mentors others about bioethical
	Addresses ethical issues relevant to entry-level rotations with direct supervision	direct supervision (e.g., Jehovah's Witnesses)	circumstances, including in the subspecialties of anesthesiology, with indirect supervision	care settings with conditional independence	principles; works within the team setting to develop a systematic approach to managing ethical dilemmas
	Takes responsibility for the care they provide and seeks help appropriately				

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Complies with institutional policies and regulations, including work schedule rules	Acts as a reliable team member, recognizing the impact of one's own work responsibilities on the institution and on one's colleagues Volunteers to assist colleagues, when appropriate, to cover illnesses/absences in order to ensure quality patient care Completes requested evaluations (e.g., faculty member, program, peers, ACGME Resident Survey) in a timely manner	Serves as a resource and counselor to medical students regarding their professional choices and behaviors	Serves as a resource and counselor to junior residents regarding their professional choices and behaviors	Models responsibility and accountability in one's professional choices and behaviors

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Accepts constructive feedback, but occasionally demonstrates resistance to feedback while providing patient care	Provides constructive feedback in a tactful and supportive way to medical students to enhance patient care Accepts feedback from faculty members and incorporates suggestions into practice	Consistently seeks feedback, correlates it with self-reflection, and incorporates it into lifelong learning to enhance patient care Seeks out feedback from faculty members and other members of the care team	Provides constructive feedback in a tactful and supportive way to physician and non-physician members of the patient care team to enhance patient care	Effectively provides feedback in challenging situations (e.g. when there is resistance, ther are adverse outcomes, or an experienced practitioner is involved)

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Demonstrates basic professional responsibilities, such as reporting for work rested and prepared, with appropriate professional attire and grooming Demonstrates knowledge of basic requirements related to fatigue management, sleep deprivation, and principles of physician well-being Recognizes the need to balance patient, personal, institutional, and societal needs when providing health care Complies with training on physician impairment Identifies departmental and institutional resources available for assistance with concerns about an impaired health care provider	Complies with requirements to assist with preservation of health and mitigation of fatigue (e.g., work hours rules) Demonstrates the ability to balance personal, institutional, and societal goals with professional responsibilities Complies with systems intended to prevent physician impairment, (e.g., controlled substance policies)	Reports concerns about the health or well-being of colleagues to a more experienced individual	Reinforces to junior colleagues the importance of compliance with systems to prevent impairment	Serves as a resource for the development of organizational policies a procedures regarding professional responsibilities Serves as a resource for the development of institutional policies on work-life balance Serves as a resource for the development of organizational policies a procedures for impaired physicians Assists with or leads management of suspect impaired colleagues Serves as monitor/resource for colleagues returning from treatment for impairment

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	Demonstrates empathy for	Ensures that	Communicates	Communicates	Consistently ensures
	patients and their families	communication of information requiring the	challenging information and	challenging information and addresses complex	effective communication and resolution of concerr
	Communicates routine	assistance of another	addresses complex	circumstances with	occurs with patients
	information in straight	individual occurs in a	circumstances with	conditional	and/or families
	forward circumstances	timely and effective	indirect supervision	independence	
	with indirect supervision	manner	indirect supervision		Independently negotiates
			Consults appropriate	Consults appropriate	and manages patient and
	Recognizes situations	Negotiates simple patient	institutional resources	institutional resources	family conflicts in all
	where communication of	and family conflicts	with indirect	with conditional	situations
	information requires the		supervision	independence	
	assistance of another	Participates in root cause			Independently discloses
	individual and asks for help	analysis for issues	Negotiates and	Negotiates and manages	medical errors or medica
		regarding patients for	manages patient and	patient and family	complications
	Identifies situations where	whom he or she has	family conflicts in	conflicts in complex	
	patient and family conflicts	provided care	complex situations	situations, including end-	
	exist and appropriately		(e.g., psychiatric	of-life issues, with	
	seeks assistance with	Discloses medical errors	issues, blood	conditional	
	resolution	or complications	transfusions, cultural	independence	
		independently as allowed	factors) with indirect		
	Discloses medical errors or	by their institution, if not	supervision		
	complications with direct	allowed by their			
	supervision	institution demonstrates			
		the ability to disclose			
	Recognizes that	medical errors or			
	institutional resources are	complications			
	available to assist with	independently, e.g.			
	disclosure of medical errors	simulation patient			
		experiences			

Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Communicates effectively and with respect for the skills and contributions of other members of the health care team Identifies interpersonal conflicts and ineffective communication with other members of the health care team, and participates in their resolution as appropriate to level of education Communicates patient status to supervisors and other providers effectively, including during hand-offs and transitions of patient care Provides legible, accurate, complete, and timely documentation in written and electronic forms Respects patient privacy in all environments Identifies and discloses medical errors or complications to the healthcare team	Identifies institutional resources to assist in conflict resolution Effectively communicates relevant patient issues during transitions or transfers of care Uses the medical record to document medical decision making and facilitate patient care Documentation is clear and concise, addressing key issues relevant to the care of the patient	Adapts communication to the unique circumstances, such as crisis management and subspecialty anesthesia care Uses institutional resources to assist in conflict resolution	Communicates effectively in crises and contentious situations Participates in conflict resolution with conditional independence	Mentors other members of the health care team to improve communication skills Effectively manages conflict in all situation

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Has not Achieved Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Recognizes and respects the expertise of other members of the health care team Functions effectively as a member of the health care team	Identifies the care team member with appropriate expertise to address a clinical issue Participates actively in team-based conferences or meetings related to patient care	Coordinates team- based care in routine circumstances	Demonstrates leadership skills in relationships with members of the anesthesia and other patient care teams Facilitates team-based conferences or meetings related to patient care	Effectively contributes to and leads team-based decision making and clinical care Participates in and provides leadership in the practice of team-based care