Duty Hours

During the clinical clerkships, students must adhere to the duty hour guidelines as outlined by the Accreditation Council of Graduate Medical Education (ACGME), with the exception that students cannot work more than 80 hours in any given week.

Duty hours are defined as all clinical and academic activities related to the program:

- Patient care (both inpatient and outpatient)
- Administrative duties relative to patient care
- The provision for transfer of patient care
- Time spent in-house during call activities
- Scheduled activities, such as conferences

Duty hours do not include reading and preparation time spent away from the duty site. Students on clinical clerkships are required to report their duty hours on a weekly basis via OASIS. The Executive Curriculum Committee monitors student duty hours and makes any necessary curricular revisions to ensure duty hour compliance.

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