

Emergency Medicine Milestones for the Middle East



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The Milestones are designed only for use in evaluation of residents in the context of their participation in ACGME-I-accredited residency programs. The Milestones provide a framework for the assessment of the development of the resident in key dimensions of the elements of physician competency in a specialty. 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.

Milestones Reporting

This document presents milestones designed for programs to use in semi-annual review of resident performance and reporting to the ACGME-I. Milestones are knowledge, skills, attitudes, and other attributes for each of the ACGME-I competencies organized in a developmental framework from less to more advanced. They are descriptors and targets for resident performance as a learner moves from entry into their program through graduation.

For each period, review and reporting will involve selecting milestone levels that best describe each resident's current performance and attributes. Milestones are arranged in numbered levels. Tracking from "Critical Deficiencies"/"Level 1" to "Aspirational"/"Level 5" is synonymous with moving from novice to expert in the specialty. These levels do not correspond with time in the educational program. Dependent upon previous education and experience, residents/fellows may enter a program at varying points in the Milestones.

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).

Level 1: The resident demonstrates milestones expected of an incoming resident.

Level 2: The resident is advancing and demonstrates additional milestones, but is not yet performing at a mid-residency level.

Level 3: The resident continues to advance and demonstrate additional milestones; the resident demonstrates the majority of milestones targeted for residency in this sub-competency.

Level 4: The resident has advanced so that he or she now substantially demonstrates the milestones targeted for residency. This level is designed as the graduation target.

Level 5: The resident has advanced beyond performance targets set 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.

Additional Notes

The “Level 4” Milestones are designed as the graduation *target* and *do not* represent a graduation *requirement*. Making decisions about readiness for graduation is the purview of the program director. Study of Milestones performance data will be required before the ACGME-I and its partners will be able to determine whether milestones in the first four levels appropriately represent the developmental framework, and whether Milestone data overall are of sufficient quality to be used for high-stakes decisions.

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions about Milestones are posted on the ACGME-I website.

The diagram below presents an example set of milestones for one sub-competency in the same format as the ACGME-I Report Worksheet. For each reporting period, a learner’s performance on the milestones for each sub-competency will be indicated by selecting the level of milestones that best describes that learner’s performance in relation to those milestones.

Systems-Based Practice 1: Patient Safety and Quality Improvement				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Demonstrates knowledge of common patient safety events	Identifies system factors that lead to patient safety events	Participates in analysis of patient safety events (simulated or actual)	Conducts analysis of patient safety events and offers error prevention strategies (simulated or actual)	Actively engages teams and processes to modify systems to prevent patient safety events
Demonstrates knowledge of how to report patient safety events	Reports patient safety events through institutional reporting systems (actual or simulated)	Participates in disclosure of patient safety events to patients and families (simulated or actual)	Discloses patient safety events to patients and families (simulated or actual)	Role models or mentors others in the disclosure of patient safety events
Demonstrates knowledge of basic quality improvement methodologies and metrics	Describes local quality improvement initiatives (e.g., community vaccination rate, infection rate, smoking cessation)	Participates in local quality improvement initiatives	Demonstrates the skills required to identify, develop, implement, and analyze a quality improvement project	Creates, implements, and assesses quality improvement initiatives at the institutional or community level
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Selecting a response box in the middle of a level implies that milestones in that level and in lower levels have been substantially demonstrated.

Selecting a response box on the line in between levels indicates that milestones in lower levels have been substantially demonstrated as well as **some** milestones in the higher level(s).

Patient Care 1: Emergency Stabilization - Prioritizes critical initial stabilization action and mobilizes hospital support services in the resuscitation of a critically-ill or injured patient and reassesses after stabilizing intervention				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Recognizes abnormal vital signs	<p>Recognizes when a patient is unstable requiring immediate intervention</p> <p>Performs a primary assessment on a critically-ill or injured patient</p> <p>Discerns relevant data to formulate a diagnostic impression and plan</p>	<p>Manages and prioritizes critically-ill or injured patients</p> <p>Prioritizes critical initial stabilization actions in the resuscitation of a critically-ill or injured patient</p> <p>Reassesses after implementing a stabilizing intervention</p>	<p>Recognizes in a timely fashion when further clinical intervention is futile</p> <p>Integrates hospital support services into a management strategy for a problematic stabilization situation</p>	Develops policies and protocols for the management and/or transfer of critically-ill or injured patients
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Comments:				Not Yet Achieved Level 1 <input type="checkbox"/>

Suggested Evaluation Methods: SDOT, observed resuscitations, simulation, checklist, videotape review

Patient Care 2: Performance of Focused History and Physical Exam - Abstracts current findings in a patient with multiple chronic medical problems and, when appropriate, compares with a prior medical record and identifies significant differences between the current presentation and past presentations				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Performs and communicates a reliable, comprehensive history and physical exam	Performs and communicates a focused history and physical exam which effectively addresses the chief complaint and urgent patient issues	Prioritizes essential components of a history given a limited or dynamic circumstance Prioritizes essential components of a physical examination given a limited or dynamic circumstance	Synthesizes essential data necessary for the correct management of patients using all potential sources of data	Identifies obscure, occult, or rare patient conditions based solely on historical and physical exam findings
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Suggested Evaluation Methods: Global ratings of live performance, checklist assessments of live performance, SDOT, oral boards, simulation

Patient Care 3: Diagnostic Studies - Applies the results of diagnostic testing based on the probability of disease and the likelihood of test results altering management				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Determines the necessity of diagnostic studies	Orders appropriate diagnostic studies Performs appropriate bedside diagnostic studies and procedures	Prioritizes essential testing Interprets results of a diagnostic study, recognizing limitations and risks, seeking interpretive assistance when appropriate Reviews risks, benefits, contraindications, and alternatives to a diagnostic study or procedure Practices cost effective ordering of diagnostic studies	Uses diagnostic testing based on the pre-test probability of disease and the likelihood of test results altering management Understands the implications of false positives and negatives for post-test probability	Discriminates between subtle and/or conflicting diagnostic results in the context of the patient presentation
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Suggested Evaluation Methods: SDOT, oral boards, standardized exams, chart review, simulation

Patient Care 4: Diagnosis - Based on all of the available data, narrows and prioritizes the list of weighted differential diagnoses to determine appropriate management				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Constructs a list of potential diagnoses based on chief complaint and initial assessment	<p>Constructs a list of potential diagnoses based on the greatest likelihood of occurrence</p> <p>Constructs a list of potential diagnoses with the greatest potential for morbidity or mortality</p>	<p>Uses all available medical information to develop a list of ranked differential diagnoses, including those with the greatest potential for morbidity or mortality</p> <p>Correctly identifies “sick versus not sick” patients</p> <p>Revises a differential diagnosis in response to changes in a patient’s course over time</p>	Synthesizes all of the available data and narrows and prioritizes the list of weighted differential diagnoses to determine appropriate management	Uses pattern recognition to identify discriminating features between similar patients and avoids premature closure
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Suggested Evaluation Methods: SDOT as baseline, global ratings, simulation, oral boards, chart review

Patient Care 5: Pharmacotherapy - Selects and prescribes, appropriate pharmaceutical agents based upon relevant considerations such as mechanism of action, intended effect, financial considerations, possible adverse effects, patient preferences, allergies, potential drug-food and drug-drug interactions, institutional policies, and clinical guidelines; and effectively combines agents and monitors and intervenes in the advent of adverse effects in the ED				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
<p>Knows the different classifications of pharmacologic agents and their mechanism of action</p> <p>Consistently asks patients for drug allergies</p>	<p>Applies medical knowledge for selection of appropriate agent for therapeutic intervention</p> <p>Considers potential adverse effects of pharmacotherapy</p>	<p>Considers array of drug therapy for treatment</p> <p>Selects appropriate agent based on mechanism of action and intended effect, and anticipates potential adverse side effects</p> <p>Considers and recognizes potential drug to drug interactions</p>	<p>Selects the appropriate agent based on mechanism of action, intended effect, possible adverse effects, patient preferences, allergies, potential drug-food and drug-drug interactions, financial considerations, institutional policies, and clinical guidelines, including patient's age, weight, and other modifying factors</p>	<p>Participates in developing institutional policies on pharmacy and therapeutics</p>
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Suggested Evaluation Methods: SDOT, portfolio, simulation, oral boards, global ratings, medical knowledge examinations

Patient Care 6: Observation and Reassessment - Re-evaluates patients undergoing ED observation (and monitoring) and using appropriate data and resources, determines the differential diagnosis and, treatment plan, and disposition				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Recognizes the need for patient re-evaluation	Monitors necessary therapeutic interventions performed during a patient's ED stay Identifies which patients will require observation in the ED	Evaluates effectiveness of therapies and treatments provided during observation Monitors a patient's clinical status at timely intervals during their stay in the ED	Considers additional diagnoses and therapies for a patient who is under observation and changes treatment plan accordingly Identifies and complies with federal and other regulatory requirements, including billing, which must be met for a patient who is under observation	Develops protocols to avoid potential complications of interventions and therapies
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Suggested Evaluation Methods: SDOT, multi-source feedback, oral boards, simulation

Patient Care 7: Disposition - Establishes and implements a comprehensive disposition plan that uses appropriate consultation resources; patient education regarding diagnosis; treatment plan; medications; and time and location specific disposition instructions				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Describes basic resources available for care of the emergency department patient	Formulates a specific follow-up plan for common ED complaints with appropriate resource utilization	<p>Formulates and provides patient education regarding diagnosis, treatment plan, medication review and Patient Care consultant appointments for complicated patients</p> <p>Involves appropriate resources (e.g., Patient Care consultants, social work, PT/OT, financial aid, care coordinators) in a timely manner</p> <p>Makes correct decision regarding admission or discharge of patients</p> <p>Correctly assigns admitted patients to an appropriate level of care (ICU/Telemetry/Floor/Observation Unit)</p>	<p>Formulates sufficient admission plans or discharge instructions including future diagnostic/therapeutic interventions for ED patients</p> <p>Engages patient or surrogate to effectively implement a discharge plan</p>	Works within the institution to develop hospital systems that enhance safe patient disposition and maximizes resource utilization
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Suggested Evaluation Methods: SDOT, shift evaluations, simulation cases / Objective Structure Clinical Exam (OSCE), multi-source feedback, chart review

Patient Care 8: Multi-Tasking (Task-Switching) - Employs task switching in an efficient and timely manner in order to manage the ED				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Manages a single patient amidst distractions	Task switches between different patients	Employs task-switching in an efficient and timely manner in order to manage multiple patients	Employs task-switching in an efficient and timely manner in order to manage the ED	Employs task-switching in an efficient and timely manner in order to manage the ED under high volume or surge situations
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Suggested Evaluation Methods: Simulation, SDOT, mock oral examination, multi-source feedback

Patient Care 9: General Approach to Procedures - Performs the indicated procedure on all appropriate patients (including those who are uncooperative, at the extremes of age, hemodynamically unstable and those who have multiple co-morbidities, poorly defined anatomy, high risk for pain or procedural complications, sedation requirement), takes steps to avoid potential complications, and recognizes the outcome and/or complications resulting from the procedure				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Identifies pertinent anatomy and physiology for a specific procedure Uses appropriate Universal Precautions	Performs patient assessment, obtains informed consent, and ensures monitoring equipment is in place in accordance with patient safety standards Knows indications, contraindications, anatomic landmarks, equipment, anesthetic and procedural technique, and potential complications for common ED procedures Performs the indicated common procedure on a patient with moderate urgency who has identifiable landmarks and a low-moderate risk for complications Performs post-procedural assessment and identifies any potential complications	Determines a backup strategy if initial attempts to perform a procedure are unsuccessful Correctly interprets the results of a diagnostic procedure	Performs indicated procedures on any patients with challenging features (e.g., poorly identifiable landmarks, at extremes of age, or with co-morbid conditions) Performs the indicated procedure, takes steps to avoid potential complications, and recognizes the outcome and/or complications resulting from the procedure	Teaches procedural competency and corrects mistakes
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Suggested Evaluation Methods: Procedural competency forms, checklist assessment of procedure and simulation lab performance, global ratings

Patient Care 10: Airway Management - Performs airway management on all appropriate patients (including those who are uncooperative, at the extremes of age, hemodynamically unstable and those who have multiple co-morbidities, poorly defined anatomy, high risk for pain or procedural complications, sedation requirement), takes steps to avoid potential complications, and recognize the outcome and/or complications resulting from the procedure				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
<p>Describes upper airway anatomy</p> <p>Performs basic airway maneuvers or adjuncts (jaw thrust/chin lift/oral airway/nasopharyngeal airway) and ventilates/oxygenates patient using a bag valve mask (BVM)</p>	<p>Describes elements of airway assessment and indications impacting the airway management</p> <p>Describes the pharmacology of agents used for rapid sequence intubation, including specific indications and contraindications</p> <p>Performs rapid sequence intubation in patients without adjuncts</p> <p>Confirms proper endotracheal tube placement using multiple modalities</p>	<p>Uses airway algorithms in decision making for complicated patients employing airway adjuncts as indicated</p> <p>Performs rapid sequence intubation in patients using airway adjuncts</p> <p>Implements post-intubation management</p> <p>Employs appropriate methods of mechanical ventilation based on specific patient physiology</p>	<p>Performs airway management in any circumstance, taking steps to avoid potential complications, and recognizes the outcome and/or complications resulting from the procedure</p> <p>Performs a minimum of 35 intubations</p> <p>Demonstrates the ability to perform a cricothyrotomy</p> <p>Uses advanced airway modalities in complicated patients</p>	<p>Teaches airway management skills to health care providers</p>
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Suggested Evaluation Methods: Airway Management Competency Assessment Tool (CORD), Airway Management Assessment Cards, SDOT checklist, procedure log, and simulation

Patient Care 11: Anesthesia and Acute Pain Management - Provides safe acute pain management, anesthesia, and procedural sedation to patients of all ages regardless of the clinical situation				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
<p>Discusses with the patient indications, contraindications, and possible complications of local anesthesia</p> <p>Performs local anesthesia using appropriate doses of local anesthetic and appropriate technique to provide skin to sub-dermal anesthesia for procedures</p>	<p>Knows the indications, contraindications, potential complications, and appropriate doses of analgesic/sedative medications</p> <p>Knows the anatomic landmarks, indications, contraindications, potential complications, and appropriate doses of local anesthetics used for regional anesthesia</p>	<p>Knows the indications, contraindications, potential complications, and appropriate doses of medications used for procedural sedation</p> <p>Performs patient assessment and discusses with the patient the most appropriate analgesic/sedative medication and administers in the most appropriate dose and route</p> <p>Performs pre-sedation assessment, obtains informed consent, and orders appropriate choice and dose of medications for procedural sedation</p> <p>Obtains informed consent and correctly performs regional anesthesia</p> <p>Ensures appropriate monitoring of patients during procedural sedation</p>	<p>Performs procedural sedation providing effective sedation with the least risk of complications and minimal recovery time through selective dosing, route, and choice of medications</p>	<p>Develops pain management protocols/care plans</p>
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Suggested Evaluation Methods: Procedural competency forms, checklist assessment of procedure and simulation lab performance, global ratings, patient survey, chart review

Patient Care 12: Other Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures: Goal-directed Focused Ultrasound (Diagnostic/Procedural) - Uses goal-directed focused Ultrasound for the bedside diagnostic evaluation of emergency medical conditions and diagnoses, resuscitation of the acutely ill or injured patient, and procedural guidance				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Describes the indications for emergency ultrasound	Explains how to optimize ultrasound images and identifies the proper probe for each of the focused ultrasound applications Performs an eFAST	Performs goal-directed focused ultrasound exams Correctly interprets acquired images	Independently performs focused ultrasound examinations	Teaches ultrasound competencies and ultrasound quality assurance in department
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Suggested Evaluation Methods: OSCE, SDOT, videotape review, written examination, checklist

Patient Care 13: Other Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures: Wound Management - Assesses and appropriately manages wounds in patients of all ages regardless of the clinical situation				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Prepares a simple wound for suturing, identifies appropriate suture material, and anesthetizes and irrigates wound	Uses medical terminology to clearly describe/classify a wound (e.g., stellate, abrasion, avulsion, laceration, deep vs. superficial)	Performs complex wound repairs (deep sutures, layered repair, corner stitch)	Achieves hemostasis in a bleeding wound using advanced techniques such as cautery, ligation, deep suture, injection, topical hemostatic agents, and tourniquet	Performs advanced wound repairs, such as tendon repairs and skin flaps
Demonstrates sterile technique	Classifies burns with respect to depth and body surface area	Manages a severe burn		
Places a simple interrupted suture	Compares and contrasts modes of wound management (adhesives, steri-strips, hair apposition, staples)	Determines which wounds should not be closed primarily	Repairs wounds that are high risk for cosmetic complications (e.g., eyelid margin, nose, ear)	
	Identifies wounds that require antibiotics or tetanus prophylaxis	Identifies wounds that may be high risk and require more extensive evaluation (e.g., x-ray, ultrasound, exploration)	Describes the indications for and steps to perform an escharotomy	
	Educates patients on appropriate outpatient management of their wound	Demonstrates appropriate use of consultants		
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Suggested Evaluation Methods: Direct observation, procedure checklist, medical knowledge quiz, portfolio, global ratings, procedure log

Patient Care 14: Other Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures: Vascular Access - Successfully obtains vascular access in patients of all ages regardless of the clinical situation				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Performs a venipuncture	Describes the indications, contraindications, anticipated undesirable outcomes, and complications for the various vascular access modalities	Inserts a central venous catheter without ultrasound when appropriate	Successfully performs 20 central venous lines	Teaches advanced vascular access techniques
Places a peripheral intravenous line	Inserts an arterial catheter Assesses the indications in conjunction with the patient anatomy/pathophysiology and selects the optimal site for a central venous catheter	Places an ultrasound guided deep vein catheter (e.g., basilic, brachial, and cephalic veins)	Routinely gains venous access in patients with difficult vascular access	
Performs an arterial puncture	Inserts a central venous catheter using ultrasound and universal precautions Confirms appropriate placement of central venous catheter Performs intraosseous access			
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Suggested Evaluation Methods: Knowledge assessment using MCQ, checklist driven task analysis, procedure log

Medical Knowledge 1: Demonstrates Appropriate Medical Knowledge in the Care of Emergency Medicine Patients				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
<p>Recognizes that an in-depth knowledge of the patient and a broad knowledge of sciences are essential to the work of emergency physicians</p> <p>Demonstrates basic decision making capabilities</p>	<p>Synthesizes information from multiple resources to make clinical decisions</p> <p>Anticipates expected and unexpected outcomes of the patients' clinical condition and data</p>	<p>Recognizes and reconciles knowledge of patient and medicine to act in patient's best interest</p>	<p>Integrates and synthesizes knowledge to make decisions in complex clinical situations</p>	<p>Integrates in-depth medical and personal knowledge of patient, family, and community to decide, develop, and implement treatment plans</p>
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Suggested Evaluation Methods: National licensing examinations (USMLE, COMLEX), national in-training examination (developed by ABEM & AOA), CORD Question & Answer Bank tests, MedChallenger, local residency examinations

Systems-Based Practice 1: Patient Safety and Quality Improvement				
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Demonstrates knowledge of basic quality improvement methodologies and metrics	Describes local quality improvement initiatives (e.g., community vaccination rate, infection rate, smoking cessation)	Participates in local quality improvement initiatives	Demonstrates the skills required to identify, develop, implement, and analyze a quality improvement project	Creates, implements, and assesses quality improvement initiatives at the institutional or community level
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Systems-Based Practice 2: System Navigation for Patient-Centered Care				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Demonstrates knowledge of care coordination	Coordinates care of patients in routine clinical situations effectively utilizing the roles of the interprofessional teams	Coordinates care of patients in complex clinical situations effectively utilizing the roles of their interprofessional teams	Role models effective coordination of patient-centered care among different disciplines and specialties	Analyzes the process of care coordination and leads in the design and implementation of improvements
Identifies key elements for safe and effective transitions of care and handoffs	Performs safe and effective transitions of care/handoffs in routine clinical situations	Performs safe and effective transitions of care/handoffs in complex clinical situations	Role models and advocates for safe and effective transitions of care/handoffs within and across health care delivery systems, including outpatient settings	Improves quality of transitions of care within and across health care delivery systems to optimize patient outcomes
Demonstrates knowledge of population and community health needs and disparities	Identifies specific population and community health needs and inequities for their local population	Uses local resources effectively to meet the needs of a patient population and community	Participates in changing and adapting practice to provide for the needs of specific populations	Leads innovations and advocates for populations and communities with health care inequities
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Systems-Based Practice 3: Physician Role in Health Care Systems				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Identifies components of the complex health care system	Describes the physician's role and how the interrelated components of complex health care system impact patient care	Analyzes how personal practice affects the system (e.g., length of stay, readmission rates, clinical efficiency)	Manages the interrelated components of the complex health care systems for efficient and effective patient care	Advocates for or leads change to enhance systems for high value, efficient, and effective patient care
Describes basic health payment systems, including government, private, public, and uninsured care and different practice models	Delivers care informed by patient specific payment model	Utilizes shared decision making in patient care, taking into consideration payment models	Advocates for patient care understanding the limitations of each patient's payment model (e.g., community resources, patient assistance resources)	Participates in advocacy activities for health policy to better align payment systems with high value care
		Identifies resources and effectively plans for transition to practice (e.g., information technology, legal, billing and coding, financial, personnel)	Describes basic elements needed to transition to practice (e.g., contract negotiations, malpractice insurance, government regulation, compliance)	
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Comments:				Not Yet Achieved Level 1 <input type="checkbox"/>

Practice-Based Learning and Improvement 1: Evidence-Based and Informed Practice				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Demonstrates how to access and use available evidence, and incorporate patient preferences and values in order to care for a routine patient	Articulates clinical questions and elicits patient preferences and values in order to guide evidence-based care	Locates and applies the best available evidence, integrated with patient preference, to the care of complex patients	Critically appraises and applies evidence even in the face of uncertainty and conflicting evidence to guide care, tailored to the individual patient	Coaches others to critically appraise and apply evidence for complex patients, and/or participates in the development of guidelines
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Practice-Based Learning and Improvement 2: Reflective Practice and Commitment to Personal Growth				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
<p>Accepts responsibility for personal and professional development by establishing goals</p> <p>Identifies the factors that contribute to gap(s) between expectations and actual performance</p> <p>Actively seeks opportunities to improve</p>	<p>Demonstrates openness to performance data (feedback and other input) in order to inform goals</p> <p>Analyzes and reflects on the factors that contribute to gap(s) between expectations and actual performance</p> <p>Designs and implements a learning plan, with prompting</p>	<p>Seeks performance data episodically, with adaptability and humility</p> <p>Analyzes, reflects on, and institutes behavioral change(s) to narrow the gap(s) between expectations and actual performance</p> <p>Independently creates and implements a learning plan</p>	<p>Intentionally seeks performance data consistently, with adaptability and humility</p> <p>Challenges assumptions and considers alternatives in narrowing the gap(s) between expectations and actual performance</p> <p>Uses performance data to measure the effectiveness of the learning plan and, when necessary, improves it</p>	<p>Role models consistently seeking performance data, with adaptability and humility</p> <p>Coaches others on reflective practice</p> <p>Facilitates the design and implementation of learning plans for others</p>
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Professionalism 1: Professional Behavior and Ethical Principles				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
<p>Identifies and describes potential triggers for professionalism lapses</p> <p>Describes when and how to appropriately report professionalism lapses, including strategies for addressing common barriers</p> <p>Demonstrates knowledge of the ethical principles underlying informed consent, surrogate decision making, advance directives, confidentiality, error disclosure, stewardship of limited resources, and related topics</p>	<p>Demonstrates insight into professional behavior in routine situations</p> <p>Takes responsibility for own professionalism lapses</p> <p>Analyzes straightforward situations using ethical principles</p>	<p>Demonstrates professional behavior in complex or stressful situations</p> <p>Analyzes complex situations using ethical principles</p> <p>Recognizes need to seek help in managing and resolving complex ethical situations</p>	<p>Recognizes situations that may trigger professionalism lapses and intervenes to prevent lapses in self and others</p> <p>Recognizes and utilizes appropriate resources for managing and resolving ethical dilemmas as needed (e.g., ethics consultations, literature review, risk management/legal consultation)</p>	<p>Coaches others when their behavior fails to meet professional expectations</p> <p>Identifies and seeks to address system-level factors that induce or exacerbate ethical problems or impede their resolution</p>
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Comments:				Not Yet Achieved Level 1 <input type="checkbox"/>

Professionalism 2: Accountability/Conscientiousness				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
<p>Takes responsibility for failure to complete tasks and responsibilities, identifies potential contributing factors, and describes strategies for ensuring timely task completion in the future</p> <p>Responds promptly to requests or reminders to complete tasks and responsibilities</p>	<p>Performs tasks and responsibilities in a timely manner with appropriate attention to detail in routine situations</p> <p>Recognizes situations that may impact own ability to complete tasks and responsibilities in a timely manner</p>	<p>Performs tasks and responsibilities in a timely manner with appropriate attention to detail in complex or stressful situations</p> <p>Proactively implements strategies to ensure that the needs of patients, teams, and systems are met</p>	<p>Recognizes situations that may impact others' ability to complete tasks and responsibilities in a timely manner</p>	<p>Takes ownership of system outcomes</p>
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Professionalism 3: Self-Awareness and Help-Seeking				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
<p>Recognizes status of personal and professional well-being, with assistance</p> <p>Recognizes limits in the knowledge/skills of self or team, with assistance</p>	<p>Independently recognizes status of personal and professional well-being</p> <p>Independently recognizes limits in the knowledge/skills of self or team</p> <p>Demonstrates appropriate help-seeking behaviors</p>	<p>With assistance, proposes a plan to optimize personal and professional well-being</p> <p>With assistance, proposes a plan to remediate or improve limits in the knowledge/skills of self or team</p>	<p>Independently develops a plan to optimize personal and professional well-being</p> <p>Independently develops a plan to remediate or improve limits in the knowledge/skills of self or team</p>	<p>Coaches others when emotional responses or limitations in knowledge/skills do not meet professional expectations</p>
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Interpersonal and Communication Skills 1: Patient- and Family-Centered Communication				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
<p>Uses language and non-verbal behavior to demonstrate respect and establish rapport</p> <p>Identifies common barriers to effective communication (e.g., language, disability) while accurately communicating own role within the health care system</p> <p>Identifies the need to adjust communication strategies based on assessment of patient/family expectations and understanding of their health status and treatment options</p>	<p>Establishes a therapeutic relationship in straightforward encounters using active listening and clear language</p> <p>Identifies complex barriers to effective communication (e.g., health literacy, cultural)</p> <p>Organizes and initiates communication with patients/families by introducing stakeholders, setting the agenda, clarifying expectations, and verifying an understanding of the clinical situation</p>	<p>Establishes a therapeutic relationship in challenging patient encounters</p> <p>When prompted, reflects on personal biases while attempting to minimize communication barriers</p> <p>With guidance, sensitively and compassionately delivers medical information; elicits patient/family values, goals and preferences; and acknowledges uncertainty and conflict</p>	<p>Easily establishes therapeutic relationships, with attention to patient/family concerns and context, regardless of complexity</p> <p>Independently recognizes personal biases while attempting to proactively minimize communication barriers</p> <p>Independently uses shared decision making to align patient/family values, goals, and preferences with treatment options to make a personalized care plan</p>	<p>Mentors others in situational awareness and critical self-reflection to consistently develop positive therapeutic relationships</p> <p>Role models self-awareness practice while identifying teaching a contextual approach to minimize communication barriers</p> <p>Role models shared decision making in patient/family communication in situations with a high degree of uncertainty/conflict</p>
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Interpersonal and Communication Skills 2: Interprofessional and Team Communication				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Respectfully requests a consultation	Clearly and concisely requests a consultation	Checks own understanding of consultant recommendations	Coordinates recommendations from different members of the health care team to optimize patient care	Role models flexible communication strategies that value input from all health care team members, resolving conflict when needed
Respectfully receives a consultation request	Clearly and concisely responds to a consultation request	Checks understanding of recommendations when providing consultation	Communicates feedback and constructive criticism to superiors	Facilitates regular health care team-based feedback in complex situations
Uses language that values all members of the health care team	Communicates information effectively with all health care team members Solicits feedback on performance as a member of the health care team	Uses active listening to adapt communication style to fit team needs Communicates concerns and provides feedback to peers and learners		
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Interpersonal and Communication Skills 3: Communication within Health Care Systems				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Accurately records information in the patient record	Demonstrates organized diagnostic and therapeutic reasoning through notes in the patient record	Concisely reports diagnostic and therapeutic reasoning in the patient record	Communicates clearly, concisely, in a timely manner, and in an organized written form, including anticipatory guidance	Models feedback to improve others' written communication
Safeguards patient personal health information	Demonstrates accurate, timely, and appropriate use of documentation shortcuts	Appropriately selects direct (e.g., telephone, in-person) and indirect (e.g., progress notes, text messages) forms of communication based on context	Produces written or verbal communication (e.g., patient notes, e-mail, etc.) that serves as an example for others to follow	Guides departmental or institutional communication around policies and procedures
Communicates through appropriate channels as required by institutional policy (e.g. patient safety reports, cell phone/pager usage)	Documents required data in formats specified by institutional policy Respectfully communicates concerns about the system	Uses appropriate channels to offer clear and constructive suggestions to improve the system	Initiates difficult conversations with appropriate stakeholders to improve the system	Facilitates dialogue regarding systems issues among larger community stakeholders (e.g., institution, health care system, field)
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