

## **Procedure Supervision and Documentation Policy**

A minimum number of directly supervised and successfully performed procedures must be documented to fulfill requirements for basic procedural competency. We encourage, and the Program allows, residents to achieve a high degree of proficiency in performing procedures that are appropriate to the field of general internal medicine, and that the resident believes will be consistent with his or her career goals. Once these procedural requirements (under direct supervision) have been met, a resident may perform the procedure independently with indirect faculty supervision. These procedures (performed under indirect faculty supervision) should also be documented. Each resident will be supplied with a procedure log book to document the date, patient name, and medical record number and supervising physician for each required procedure. Each resident will be expected to record his or her procedures through E-Value for purposes of documentation, and this documentation will be reviewed by the Program director on a semiannual basis.

The diagnostic and therapeutic procedures that must be documented are listed below. The numbers that must be performed under direct supervision are also indicated:

<b><u>Procedure</u></b>	<b><u>Minimum # Under Direct Supervision</u></b>
Abdominal paracentesis	3
Arterial puncture for blood gas analysis	5
Arthrocentesis of knee joint	3
Central venous line placement	5
Lumbar puncture	5
Nasogastric intubation	3
Thoracentesis	5
Breast examination	5
Pelvic examination and Pap smear	5
Rectal examination	5
ACLS Training	active certification required

Additional procedural skills can be obtained in this training program. A minimum number of directly supervised procedures will be required before a resident is allowed to independently perform these procedures. Personal preference, practice expectations, and local delineation of privileges may influence the number of these procedures that each resident may wish to document before completing their residency training.

<b><u>Procedure</u></b>	<b><u>Minimum # Under Direct Supervision</u></b>
Flexible sigmoidoscopy	25
Chest tube	3
Endotracheal intubation	3
Temporary cardiac pacemaker	3
Bone marrow	3

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