

EXPECTATIONS FOR JEOPARDY

Jeopardy assignment is considered part of your working duties as a resident. Jeopardy coverage is necessary to avoid situations in which patient care will be adversely affected by resident physician absence. When you are called in for jeopardy coverage there is no obligation on the part of the program for ‘pay back’, that is, repayment for time lost or inconveniences in scheduling because of jeopardy coverage. If, due to programmatic needs, you are asked to switch rotations outside of jeopardy coverage, the program will attempt to account for any potential loss of educational experience or addition of weekend or holiday work within reason and adhering to the ACGME resident work hour guidelines. If a schedule change is originated at the request of you or a fellow resident and is agreed upon by all parties involved, including the approval of the program, but that change incurs additional work for any of the parties involved, the additional work is considered elective and is not the duty of the program to obviate that additional work.

Jeopardy Accountability:

Per resident feedback from Spring Retreat 2017, a point system will be implemented to keep track of jeopardy use (both requesting and covering). All residents will begin the year with zero points. For the resident who cannot fulfill his/her clinical obligations and requires jeopardy use, points will be deducted on a weighted basis, depending on the clinical scenario and on a per day basis. For the resident called for jeopardy coverage, points will be added on a weighted basis, depending on the clinical scenario and on a per day basis. See table below for per day values of jeopardy coverage.

10 points	20 points
Jeopardizing to: (Monday-Friday) - Short Call - Medium call - Consults - Clinic	Jeopardizing to: - Weekends - ICU/MICU/CCU/Long call - Night hospitalist - Night float - Holidays

These points will be tracked throughout the year and will determine priority of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd jeopardy (aka “jeopardy priority”) during a given jeopardy back up block (i.e the higher the points, the lower the jeopardy). At the end of the year, points will be evaluated in determining preference for elective requests and vacation requests for the following year. **The order of jeopardy residents listed on Amion does not reflect the jeopardy priority and should not be interpreted as such.** For any resident on jeopardy back up, and regardless of jeopardy priority, **he/she must be within 45 minutes of the hospital.**

In the event that jeopardy is used excessively, in an inappropriate manner or in such a way that

it affects your overall training, you may be asked to meet with Dr. Suthar or one of the APDs to discuss concerns of professionalism, and with an end result of a letter of unprofessional behavior being placed in your file.

Conferences:

In order to present at conferences, you will need to arrange for your own coverage and make arrangements amongst each other. Residents who will be covering you may not be assigned to clinical duties during their coverage; in other words, only residents on elective, vacation, or ambulatory weekend may cover. Jeopardy residents may be considered in a schedule switch, however they will then be unable to fulfill their jeopardy back up and it is your responsibility to find another person to place back in the jeopardy pool as policy dictates that there must be 3 jeopardy residents at any given time for unplanned absences/emergencies.

Administrative Time:

The purpose of administrative time is to facilitate non- face to face care for our patients. People on administrative time during their ambulatory block are the jeopardy back up for clinic on that day. For any personal medical appointments that are needed, you must obtain approval from your Chief Residents at least 3 days in advance to accommodate any schedule conflicts that may arise. In the event of an emergency, you must contact the Chief Residents as soon as you are able. This type of approved or emergency absence for personal medical appointments on administrative time will not be included in the jeopardy point system. Please remember that we ask you to try to make these appointments at times that least affect your work schedule.

Please ensure that you are within a **30 minutes of the clinic when on administrative time and you MUST have your pager on you**. If you do not answer your pages during admin time or are not reachable when needed, you will lose your administrative time in the future. People on administrative time will be first call for clinic jeopardy. Primary Care Continuity clinics will be coverage priority, however you may also be called for Subspecialty clinic coverage.

Step 3 Scheduling:

For our incoming interns who will be scheduling/taking Step 3 this year, the 2-day test must be scheduled on 1 weekend day and 1 weekday day. This weekday day is exempt from jeopardy rules above to facilitate ease of scheduling on your part. Please consult your Chief Residents when scheduling your Step 3 exam to help avoid scheduling conflicts and ensure sufficient preparation time.

Extended Illness or Time off:

By ACGME guidelines you are only allowed one month off from training per year. In typical circumstances this is accounted for with 4 weeks off for vacation time, such that any additional time away for extended illness or other time off is considered active duty time and therefore will need to be completed at a future date to ensure you meet all your training requirements. This may result in delay of graduation or extension of clinical duties beyond graduation. In addition, in the event of extended time off it is expected that, within reason, there be attempt

at payback of colleagues who provided coverage in your absence, though this will be worked out with you and the program administration.

As a final note, the program will perform quarterly reviews of the jeopardy system to identify high utilizers. These residents will be referred to Dr. Suthar for further review which may result in additional clinical responsibilities. It is at the discretion of program administration to change the jeopardy system as it sees fit to ensure safety and security of patient care and equity in residency education.