

SIU Quincy Family Medicine Residency Program

Circumstance and Events When a Resident Must Contact the Attending Physician

- Patient admission to hospital
- Transfer of patient to a higher level of care or a significant change in clinical status
- A Patient codes or the Rapid Response Team is called and results in a transfer to higher level of care or a change in treatment plan
- Unexpected death
- Patient signs out AMA or other unplanned discharge
- Any time an office patient refuses transfer to the Emergency Department or Admission. If possible, talk to the attending before the patient leaves the office
- Active laboring patient
- Family, legal or system issues
- Medication/treatment error requiring intervention
- Patient experiences an adverse outcome regardless of cause
- Transfusion of blood products or requesting a consultation
- End of life decision or DNR not previously discussed
- Resident personally performing an invasive procedure
- Situation in which you feel that your safety, or patient safety is threatened
- Situation in which you personally feel impaired or witness others working while impaired
- Any time you need help or have a question

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