

Core Competencies

1. **Patient Care** - Gather data; order diagnostic tests; interpret data; make decisions; perform procedures; manage patient therapies; work with others to provide patient-focused care
2. **Medical Knowledge** - Fund of knowledge; active use of knowledge to solve medical problems
3. **Practice-Based Learning & Improvement** - Analyze practice performance and carry out needed improvements; locate and apply scientific evidence to the care of patients; critically appraise the scientific literature; use the computer to support learning and patient care; facilitate the learning of other health care professionals
4. **Interpersonal & Communication Skills** - Develop a therapeutic relationship with patients and their families; use verbal and non-verbal skills to communicate effectively with patients and their families; work effectively as a team member or leader
5. **Professionalism** - Demonstrate integrity and honesty; accept responsibility; act in the best interest of the patient; demonstrate sensitivity to patients' ethnicity, age, and disabilities
6. **Systems-Based Practice** - Demonstrate awareness of interdependencies in the health care system that affect quality of care; provide cost-effective care; advocate for quality patient care; work with hospital management and interdisciplinary teams to improve patient care