

Surgery - Simplified Call & "Duty" Hour Guidelines for Students

- 1. Students should not routinely start workday activities before Junior House Staff (PGY -1)**
- 2. Effort must be made to end the student workday by 6:00 p.m. on non-call days.**
- 3. Students who are immediately post overnight call, should end their workday and leave the hospital before 10 A.M.**
- 4. Students who have engaged in 28 consecutive hours of patient care/clinical work (e.g. a 24 hour call period + 4 hours transition time) may (choose to) leave work, for a minimum rest period of 12 hours.**
- 5. Student work hours (including call periods) will not exceed 80 hours per (7 day) week, averaged over a six week period.**
- 6. Students may attend church on Saturday or Sunday if requested.**
- 7. In planning a student call schedule - please note:**
 - One day in seven (or two days together in fourteen) must be completely free of work**
 - Students will not take call the night before major exams (OSCE/NBME)**
 - Regarding overnight (in-house) call for General Surgery: -**
 - A TOTAL of 4 call periods (PM shift) for students in the Junior Surgery Clerkship (Surgery 701) is required**
 - Classroom time, study time, lab opportunities, review sessions and exams generally will not be counted as work hours. Patient care related conferences/rounds are considered part of the workday.**
 - Attendance at scheduled class time, lab opportunities, certain educational conferences , and exams may be required; however students are excused from clinical duties to attend**