

4th Year Student Treatment and Emergency Duty Protocol
For SA Medicine Wards (Medicine and Oncology)

Weekdays (Monday – Friday):

Primary duty student is *required* to be available for emergencies from 5:00pm to 8:00am. S/he can leave the building between 5:00pm and 6:00pm to retrieve a car, dinner, etc. **if** no emergencies are expected during that time by checking with the resident/intern, front desk and CCU before leaving.

From 6:00pm-12:00am s/he must **stay in the building**, but does not have to stay in the wards and must inform the resident/intern on call and the CCU tech of his/her location.

From 12:00am to 8:00am s/he can be out of the building and on-call. During this time s/he must be available by phone or pager and be here within 20 minutes of that phone call and/or page.

S/he is responsible for medicine and oncology ward treatments from 6:00pm-midnight.

The primary duty student should check in with the Medicine Ward technician around 4:20pm – 5:00pm to be briefed on evening treatments.

Secondary student is on-call for treatments from 6:00pm-12:00am. S/he will be called in the event the primary student is involved with a case which prohibits his/her doing medicine and oncology ward treatments. S/he will not be kept past midnight. In very rare cases of illness, the secondary student has been bumped to the primary student position.

Saturday, Sunday and Holidays:

Primary Student shall be in the VMTH by 8:00 a.m. to help with med/onc ward treatments and receive emergencies. The student is allowed to leave the building after 11:30 a.m. **if** the following conditions are met:

1. The resident/intern on duty has approved.
2. All treatments are completed and the student returns in a timely fashion for the next round of treatments
3. The student returns to the wards to check the patients at 4:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. *This must be done even if no treatments are scheduled.*
4. The CCU technician does not need help with any treatments.
5. The student is available by phone or pager for emergencies.
6. The student can return within 20 minutes of receiving a page.
7. The student has acted responsibly on previous treatment and emergency duties.

Secondary student is on-call from 8:00am-12:00am. S/he will be called in to perform ward treatments in the event the primary student is involved with a case which prohibits his/her doing ward treatments. The secondary student will not be kept past midnight.

The CCU technician is not responsible for doing ward treatments.

Automatic failure of a rotation will occur if treatments are not performed or patients are neglected.

Dr. Jon Bach or Robin Sereno should be notified if there are problems during the evening either with personnel or treatments.