

General Practice Residency Program Goals & Objectives

GPR residents are required to meet all established clinical requirements to successfully complete the program and be eligible for graduation. Competency is determined using the GME Resident Job Functions and the Standards of Residency, which serve as the guiding framework for evaluating clinical performance, professionalism, and overall readiness for independent practice. These standards ensure that residents demonstrate proficiency across all core areas of general dentistry, including comprehensive care, specialty procedures, and the management of medically complex patients.

These goals and objectives are met through continuous formal and informal faculty, resident, and staff interactions, feedback, and updated core didactic, clinical aspects of the program.

Goal 1: Comprehensive General Dentistry Competency

Objectives:

Residents will:

- Demonstrate knowledge of all aspects of contemporary general dentistry
- Provide comprehensive care for patients with diverse dental needs
- Develop and implement sequenced treatment plans

Outcomes Measures:

- Treatment planning seminar evaluations
- Case presentation competency assessments
- Clinical productivity and procedure mix

Goal 2: Management of Medically Complex and Hospital-Based Patients

Objectives:

Residents will:

- Provide care for medically complex patients in outpatient and inpatient settings
- Perform inpatient consults and deliver care in the operating room
- Manage patients admitted for dental treatment

Outcomes Measures:

- Hospital consult logs
- OR case participation tracking
- M&M conference cases involving medically complex patients

Goal 3: Interprofessional Collaboration & Consultation**Objectives:**

Residents will:

- Request and interpret medical and dental consultations
- Communicate effectively with healthcare professionals
- Incorporate consultation findings into patient care

Outcomes Measures:

- Chart audits (consult documentation)
- Faculty evaluations
- M&M communication-related cases

Goal 4: Sedation and Pain Management Competency**Objectives:**

Residents will:

- Safely administer and monitor oral, inhalation, and IV sedation
- Recognize and manage sedation-related complications
- Demonstrate appropriate patient selection for sedation

Outcomes Measures:

- Sedation case logs
- Emergency simulation performance
- M&M sedation-related case review

Goal 5: Emergency Management and Dental Trauma

Objectives:

Residents will:

- Diagnose and manage dental trauma
- Provide appropriate emergency care
- Identify cases requiring referral and initiate timely referral

Outcomes Measures:

- Emergency case logs
- Trauma case reviews
- M&M emergency/trauma cases

Goal 6: Patient Safety, Quality Improvement, and Risk Management

Objectives:

Residents will:

- Identify and analyze complications and adverse events
- Participate in quality improvement initiatives
- Apply risk reduction strategies in patient care

Outcomes Measures:

- M&M conference participation
- Complication tracking logs
- Infection control and documentation audits

Goal 7: Practice Management and Cost-Effective Care

Objectives:

Residents will:

- Deliver cost-effective dental care
- Understand financial aspects of patient care delivery

- Utilize resources efficiently

Outcomes Measures:

- Treatment acceptance rates (if available)
- Case completion rates
- Faculty evaluation of treatment planning appropriateness

Goal 8: Lifelong Learning and Adaptability

Objectives:

Residents will:

- Demonstrate awareness of evolving trends in dentistry and healthcare
- Incorporate new knowledge into clinical decision-making
- Engage in self-assessment and continuous improvement

Outcomes Measures:

- Seminar participation
- Evidence-based case presentations
- Self-assessment exercises

Goal 9: Professionalism and Community Responsibility

Objectives:

Residents will:

- Demonstrate ethical and professional behavior
- Provide compassionate, patient-centered care
- Serve as a resource to the dental and healthcare community

Outcomes Measures:

- Faculty evaluations
- Patient feedback (if available)
- Community engagement activities