

## Conferences/Courses

The program will fund travel, lodging and fees for one national meeting (i.e. AANS, CNS or specialty section) for the PGY5, 6 and 7 residents who have passed the ABNS written exam for credit. The program will fund travel, lodging and fees for one national meeting for residents (PGY2-6) per year if they are doing an oral presentation. The duration will include the days before, of and after the presentation. It is the expectation of the program that these oral presentations will result in publications; the program will not pay for residents to go to another meeting until their presentation has been submitted for publication. The program will fund travel, lodging and fees for national meetings in which senior residents (PGY4-7) have a significant role on organized neurosurgery committees. Residents may attend and present at other meetings but this will be funded by the development fund of the sponsoring faculty. No more than one PGY6-7 can be gone at the same time.

Attendance at subspecialty OSUWMC faculty-sponsored courses within 40 miles of Columbus are mandatory for the PGY2-5 residents. Exceptions will include residents on call or on vacation. Daily attendance at these courses will be documented. Attendance at other courses will be at the discretion of the program director.

If attendance at the conference is required by the program or the resident is a representative for the program (presenting a paper or poster), the hours the resident is actively attending the conference should be counted toward the weekly limit and recorded as duty hours. Travel time and non-conference hours while away should not be counted as duty hours. Vendor-sponsored courses are to be attended during the resident's own vacation time. Attendance at any meeting requires a request submitted through MedHub and the approval of the program director.

Duty hours are logged into the MedHub system. The program coordinator will set-up each trainees account. Necessity for compliance as well as proper reporting is stressed and insisted upon. Hours are monitored at least once a month by the program director and coordinator. The OSU GME website has an anonymous duty hour violations report available to all trainees in the event that they would like to make a report to the Assistant Dean for GME.

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