

# Privileging of Residents Policy

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## **Purpose**

To meet the New York State Department of Health (405) requirements that all hospitals maintain records of each procedure residents/fellows are permitted to perform independently.

## **Policy**

The Office of Graduate Medical Education is responsible for maintaining the resident credentialing/privileges system. Privileges are granted to individual residents by program directors or their designee after documentation of a previously specified number of supervised procedures. Documentation of these supervised procedures is forwarded to the Program Director for verification and signature. Privileges are granted after this action. The department enters the data into the University computer system. The computer system is accessible to all University at Buffalo (UB) affiliated hospitals at any time. The Office of Graduate Medical Education monitors the granting of privileges. The granting of privileges from a prior program is up to the discretion of the program director. The program is responsible for entering this information into the Credentialing System using the resident's current start date as the date credentialed.

Residents who perform procedures independently who are not authorized to do so face disciplinary action at the discretion of the program director after consultation with the medical director of the hospital where the incident occurred. This action may range from a letter of reprimand to dismissal.

Programs are responsible for entering privileging data on the computer network.