Anatomical Pathology Residency Program
FINAL-YEAR ROTATION POLICY – Non-CBME

Final-Year residents are defined as residents who are in the final year of their residency program, usually the PGY5 year, and who are due to sit their Royal College examinations towards the end of that year.

Senior or Chief Residents are distinct from final-year residents, and may or may not be in their final year of training. The administrative responsibilities of acting as a Chief or Senior resident are remunerated through a salary stipend.

In order to allow residents who are approaching their professional examinations additional time for exam preparation, it is recommended that when making up the call schedules the chief resident observe the following:

- Five months before their final exams final-year residents will be excused from taking after hours and weekend call.
- From January 1 of the final year, the daily schedule of the resident will be modified to allow one day of study time per week. The specific “Academic Day” can be decided by the resident and Program Director prior to January 1.

Note: The rotation schedule will show as “Academic Day” for the chosen day, starting January 1 of the final year. The resident is still expected to preview slides, as necessary, for the next day sign-out.

With the additional “Academic Day” the senior residents are still expected to be on service 3 days per week, unless granted special permission from the Program Director.

- From 1 week before both the written and oral exams for the Royal College, final-year residents will be completely off-service.

After returning from writing the exam, the residents are expected to return to their previous duties.

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