**THE UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO**  
**College of Medicine**

*Name of Policy:* Non-Teaching Patients and Residents Responsibilities for Non-Teaching patients

*Policy Number(s):* IM – PC 8

*Issuing Office:* Residency Office, Department of Internal Medicine

*Scope of Policy:* Internal Medicine Residents

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**OFFICIAL POLICY**

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**POLICY**

Residents’ responsibilities when interacting with the non-teaching patients

**PURPOSE**

Define the role and responsibilities of the Internal Medicine Resident when dealing with Non-Teaching patients.

**PROCEDURES**

1. Teaching service will accept patient who come through St Vincent Emergency Room and have no doctor of their own. Teaching service staff will act as the primary physician for these patients. Teaching service will also accept private patients admitted by a pre-selected group of physicians. These physicians are given the privilege because of their commitment and contribution to the educational activities for the residents. A list of these physicians will be provided to the residents.

2. All patients admitted to the teaching service must offer educational experience to the residents. Patients offering no educational experience shall not be admitted to the teaching service.

3. Residents will cater to the needs of patients on the medical teaching service only. All calls related to other patients in the hospital will be referred to the private physician of the patient. Resident will provide care during acute emergencies to all patients in the hospital. This will be done on an availability basis. Once the patient’s condition stabilizes, the residents will hand over the care to the attending physician.