ACGME CORE COMPETENCIES

The ACGME defined 6 Core Competencies that all residents must master to the level of a new practitioner prior to graduating from an accredited Residency Program. These Competencies are a part of the Goals and Objectives of every rotation offered in the Pediatric Residency Program. The resident evaluations at the end of each rotation are based on these competencies. The 6 Competencies as defined by the ACGME:

1. **Patient Care:** The resident will provide care that is compassionate, appropriate, and effective for the treatment of health problems and the promotion of health.

2. **Medical Knowledge:** The resident will gain and demonstrate knowledge about established and evolving biomedical, clinical, and cognate (e.g. epidemiological and social-behavioral) sciences and the application of this knowledge to patient care.

3. **Practice-Based Learning and Improvement:** The resident learns through investigation and evaluation of their own patient care, appraisal and assimilation of scientific evidence, and improvements in patient care.

4. **Interpersonal and Communication Skills:** The resident will demonstrate communication and interpersonal skills that result in effective information exchange and teaming with patients, their families, and other health professionals.

5. **Professionalism:** The resident will demonstrate a commitment to carrying out professional responsibilities, adherence to ethical principles, and sensitivity to a diverse patient population.

6. **Systems-Based Practice:** The resident will demonstrate an awareness of and responsiveness to the larger context and system of health care and the ability to effectively call on system resources to provide care that is of optimal value.

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