

GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION
POLICIES FOR HOUSE STAFF

FOOD SERVICES

The Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) requires that institutions provide residents access to appropriate food services 24 hours a day while on duty in all institutions. The following food services are available at Long Beach Memorial Medical Center/Miller Children's Hospital:

SEASIDE CAFÉ

Breakfast: 7:00 am-11:00 am

Lunch: 11:00am to 3:00 pm

PLUSH PANTRY

Breakfast: 6:30 am-9:30 am

Lunch/Dinner: 10:00am to 8:30 pm

After Hours: 10:30 pm – 3:30 am

In addition, vending machines are located throughout the hospital.

NIGHT "ON" CALL MEALS

Purpose: Residents will be provided a dining card to cover meals for every night they actually stay in the hospital all night on call. Residents may be provided a dining card to cover meals for designated educational conferences. By accepting the dining card, residents are acknowledging complete responsibility for its safekeeping and appropriate use.

Dining Card Allotment:

Night Call: GME will provide "night call" meals at \$10 per night (or an allocated amount as determined by the program director) at no cost to residents in the following specialties: Anesthesiology/OB; Emergency Medicine, Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Pediatrics, Pathology, Surgery, OB/GYN, and OB/GYN Fellow.

Noon Conference: GME will also provide "noon conference" meal coverage at \$5.00 per meal for Internal Medicine, Pediatrics and Podiatry.

Dining Card Distribution: Resident dining cards are distributed when the residents check-in through the GME office at the beginning of their rotation. Residents will be asked to sign for the card to show "proof" of pick-up. The resident does not have to return to the GME office to pick up a new card each month or return at the beginning of a different rotation. Residents will only need to return to the CHE/GME Office to pick up a new card in case it is lost or stolen. When a rotation is completed residents are asked to return the dining care to the GME office.

Dining Card Restrictions and Guidelines: The card can only be used to buy food and beverages in the Seaside Café and Plush Pantry. The card must be presented to the cashier for purchases. **Card ID numbers without the actual card will not be accepted.** The card is not transferrable for cash; lost or stolen cards should be reported immediately to the GME office at ext. 33800 and the card will be deactivated to prohibit unauthorized use.