

Title: Nurse Practitioner and Physician Assistant Patient Rounding for Consultant Privilege Criteria

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POLICY:

Consultants are not required by Medical Staff Rules and Regulations to see patient on a daily basis. Therefore, extender rounding is deemed appropriate for the consultant on subsequent visits where the physician has already completed the consultation regardless of patient status. Consultants will see patient Post Procedure Day 1.

PROCEDURE:

1. Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants may round on behalf of a consultant in place of their supervising/collaborating physician:
 - A. Rounding for consultants applies to all patient statuses.
 - B. Compliance for this privilege includes:
 - 1) Physician consultant completes initial consultation.
 - 2) Physician will see patient Post Procedure Day 1, for an inpatient admission, if patient does not go home on post procedure day 1.
 - 3) Physician completes a progress note or signs off on the NP/PA note at least every other day. Physicians are to document their progress note or addendum and signature on the NP/PA note within next calendar day of the NP/PA note.

References/Standards:

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