Patient Care
The resident is expected to be introduced to:
• Intraoperative management of a complex acute abdomen

The resident is expected to be competent at:
• Managing the inpatient and emergency department patients presenting with gastrointestinal bleed, abdominal pain, vascular disease, thoracic pathology and various ambulatory surgical problems which may require a bedside procedure
• Managing and triaging patients in need of urgent operative intervention
• Performing accurate and efficient physical examination
• Assessing the patient and communicating accurately and succinctly with the senior surgical resident, chief resident and faculty
• Diagnosis and operative management of acute vascular diseases such as extremity ischemia, acute emboli/thrombosis

The resident is expected to be proficient at:
• Thoracostomy tube placement
• Central venous access
• Incision and drainage of abscess

Medical Knowledge
The Resident should understand:
• Pre-operative evaluation of patients with gallbladder disease, appendicitis, hernia, and small bowel pathology
• Basic Science principles (ex: metabolism, wound healing)
• General Surgery principles (ex: acute abdomen)
• Pathophysiology of common general surgical diseases (i.e. Cholecystitis, bowel obstruction, appendicitis, hernia, peptic ulcer disease, lipoma)
• Critical Care subjects (ex: ARDS, SIRS, MODS)
• General Medicine principles (ex: infectious disease)
• Pharmacologic principles (ex: antibiotic management)
• Radiographic studies: indications and interpretation

Practice Based Learning and Improvement
The Resident should demonstrate the ability to:
• Evaluate published literature in critically acclaimed journals and texts
• Apply clinical trials data to patient management
• Participate in academic and clinical discussions
• Teach medical students and interns
• Attend conferences
Interpersonal and Communication Skills
The resident is expected to demonstrate the ability to:
• Interact with patients and their family
• Interact with Nursing staff and other members of the health care team
• Interact with OR staff
• Interact with Attendings
• Interact with Emergency Room Staff and Consulting Services
• Interact with peer and senior Housestaff

Professionalism
The resident should demonstrate:
• Ability to accept constructive criticism and positive feedback on performance
• Exposure to ethical issues
• Involvement in end-of-life discussions and decisions
• Sensitivity to gender, age, race, and cultural issues
• Leadership qualities

Systems Based Practice
The Resident should have:
• Exposure to cost-effective care issues
• Exposure to medical-legal issues
• Knowledge of information technology/computer resources available