LEAVE REQUEST FORM AND GUIDELINES Department of Internal Medicine

LEAVE REQUEST SUBMISSION DEADLINES

July thru September requests are due by <u>MAY!</u> October thru December requests are due by <u>AUGUST!</u> January thru March requests are due by OCTOBER!

April thru June requests are due by **DECEMBER!**

EARLY DEPARTURE requests are due by JANUARY!

Approval of all leave requests will depend on timeliness of submission. No travel or other plans should be made prior to receiving approval.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

- **1.** To get **credit for a rotation**, residents must be on duty at least 3 weeks (15 working days) during a 1 month rotation.
- 2. No Leave is allowed <u>during a two-week rotation</u>, <u>during the last 2 weeks in June</u>, nor while assigned to ER, WARDS, ICU, or NIGHT FLOAT rotations.
- **3.** Vacation requests during CARDIOLOGY or GASTROENTEROLOGY may be submitted, but approval is contingent upon coverage arrangements and attending approval.
- 4. Residents are to <u>avoid</u> scheduling their <u>USMLE Step 3 Exam</u> or any <u>interviews</u> during ER, WARDS, ICU, or Night Float rotations.
- 5. Requests for vacation in **DECEMBER** will be reviewed & approved on a case by case basis.
- 6. Residents should not take more than <u>30 Calendar Days of Leave per year</u> (per ABIM Regulations). If the 30-day limit is exceeded, contract will be extended and resident will be considered off-cycle.
- 7. **MATERNITY LEAVE**: Sick & Vacation leave is to be used first (prior to FMLA). If leave time exceeds 30 calendar days, then # 6 above will apply.
- 8. Residents may only take a maximum of <u>1 week per monthly rotation</u> {1wk=5 working days}.
- 9. Residents may overlap 2 consecutive wks if scheduled for back to back <u>1 month</u> elective rotations.
- 10. Residents are eligible to receive up to 12 working days per year of Sick Leave.

PGY-1 SPECIFIC GUIDELINES

- 1. Eligible to take a maximum of 3 wks. vacation (incl. weekends). {3 wks = 15 working days}
- 2. Eligible to take 2 days of Administrative Leave for USMLE Step 3 exam and 3 days of Educational Leave for approved conferences.

PGY-2 SPECIFIC GUIDELINES

- 1. Eligible to take a maximum of 3 weeks vacation (incl. weekends).{3 wks = 15 working days}
- 2. Eligible to take 5 days of Administrative Leave (ie: Step 3, Interviews, etc...) and 3 days of Educational Leave for approved conferences.

PGY-3 SPECIFIC GUIDELINES

- 1. Eligible to take a maximum of 4 wks vacation (incl. weekends). {4wks = 20 working days}
- 2. Eligible to take 5 days of Administrative Leave and 3 days of Educational Leave.
- 3. EARLY DEPARTURE: Residents continuing on to a fellowship program may request early departure leave. This leave request *is exclusive* for residents committing to a *fellowship program only*. Residents are expected to comply with these requirements:
 - a. Timely submission of early departure request and approved coverage is <u>mandatory!</u>
 - b. Resident must be on duty at least 15 working days to get credit for the rotation.
 - c. Resident is to set aside administrative or vacation days for use towards their fellowship early departure leave request.
 - d. Resident must submit a letter from the fellowship program indicating the date resident is to report for duty.