

Texas Tech Health Sciences Center – El Paso, TX
Department of Pediatrics

Policy on Mandatory Attendance to Didactics

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This policy establishes guidelines on mandatory attendance to didactics. The Department of Pediatrics requires attendance to minimum of 75% of all didactic activities.

1. The residents are **required** to attend morning reports every **Monday** and **Thursday** from 8:00 am to 8:30 am except when they are on vacation, rotating in Providence or Las Palmas, ER, or rotating in off-campus locations.
2. Residents who are **rotating in the IMCN/ICN are encouraged** to attend morning reports.
3. All residents are required to attend the workshops on Evidence-based Medicine and Practice Guidelines (**Mondays**), complete assignments and make a final presentation as scheduled.
4. All residents are **required** to attend AAP Guidelines on **Tuesdays**, 8:00 am to 8:30 am except when they are post-call, they are on vacation, residents in Providence or Las Palmas, residents on ER rotation and residents who are rotating off-campus.
5. The residents are **required** to attend **Wednesday** didactics except when they are post-call, they are on vacation, seniors who cover Providence and Las Palmas, and senior who is on ER rotation.
6. All residents are **required** to attend Small Group Discussions on **Fridays**, 8:00 am to 9:00 am except when they are post-call, they are on vacation, residents in Providence or Las Palmas, residents on ER rotation and residents who are rotating off-campus.

Reinforcement of mandatory attendance to didactic activities:

- The Chief Resident will be informed on a monthly basis about non-compliant residents, having less than the required 75% attendance to lectures. The Chief Resident will be addressing this issue with the affected resident. If no improvement in this area is evident, the resident will receive a written notification with a copy to his/her file.

- Lectures included in the monthly quiz will be made available to all residents via WebCT, email, shared web-space or other means, distributed by the Chief Resident.

All residents under **academic remediation** will be working one on one with the Chief Resident.