Ralph H. Johnson Veterans Affairs Medical Center
Letter of Agreement

This agreement is effective this (number)th day of (month/year), by and between the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC), Department of (program) and the Ralph H. Johnson Veterans Affairs Medical Center Department of (program/department). This Agreement pertains to the participation of residents from MUSC in the clinical and didactic training at the Ralph H. Johnson Veterans Affairs Medical Center (RHJVAMC).

The primary goal of this program is to continue the education of residents enrolled in the MUSC (program) residency program who wish to obtain quality clinical and didactic experience.

While on rotation at the RHJVAMC, the resident shall receive a clinical rotation in (VA program) under the direction and supervision of (name and title) from (month/date/year) through (month/date/year). The goals and objectives of this rotation are attached.

(MUSC Program Director) continues to have responsibility for the quality of the resident's education experience and retains authority over the resident's activities while on rotation at the RHJVAMC.

Residents are employees/students of MUSC and are, thereby, provided salary and benefits by MUSC. Malpractice coverage is provided by MUSC through the S.C. Insurance Reserve Fund.

The RHJVAMC shall grant MUSC residents the same privileges relative to education experience and clinical activity as all other residents at the RHJVAMC and all residents shall have access to the facilities, services, and equipment that are essential to their training. (VA Supervisor) is responsible for the teaching, supervision and evaluation of residents from MUSC while on rotation at the RHJVAMC.

In addition, MUSC residents participating in rotations at the RHJVAMC shall comply with all applicable RHJVAMC rules, regulations, policies and other provisions which pertain to patient care activities, education experiences, research and other scholarly activities and use of hospital facilities. However, all MUSC policies, procedures and provisions pertaining to Graduate Medical Education will apply unless MUSC agrees they are to be superseded by the RHJVAMC policy.

At the conclusion of the rotation, the Department of (program) at the RHJVAMC shall designate a representative(s) who shall provide an evaluation(s) of the resident's professional performance to the program director of the MUSC Department of (program). The appropriate RHJVAMC Service Chief, **if applicable**, shall have access to provide the resident's evaluation in the E*Value system.

Any disciplinary action will be conducted by MUSC in compliance with institutional and departmental policies, with cooperation from the faculty and staff of the RHJVAMC. However, the RHJVAMC shall have the right to request the discontinuance of the rotation of any resident whose performance, health, general conduct, or failure to abide by any policy, directive, rule or regulation is determined to be detrimental to patients or the achievement of the program's objectives.

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Program Director Name Date
Department of (program)
Medical University of South Carolina

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VA Supervisor Date
(Title)
Ralph H. Johnson Veterans Affairs Medical Center

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Terrill Huggins, M.D. Date
ACOS-E/DEO
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