OPHTHALMOLOGY

SCOPE OF PRACTICE
PGY-2 – PGY-4

PGY-2

• Evaluate all urgent or emergent ophthalmology consultations during on-call hours with supervision as needed.

• Examine and evaluate all ophthalmology inpatient consultations from other services in the MUSC hospital with supervision.

• Complete preoperative evaluations for patients scheduled for surgery in the ambulatory or main operating rooms.

• Assist in surgery.

• Perform laser procedures such as laser trabeculoplasties, YAG laser capsulotomies, panretinal photocoagulation and intravitreal injections, as indicated with supervision.

• Examine and treat outpatients in general and subspecialty ophthalmology ambulatory clinics with supervision.

• Examine and treat outpatients in contact lens and low vision clinic with supervision.

PGY-3

• Evaluate and treat all urgent or emergent ophthalmology consultations during on-call hours.

• Examine and evaluate all ophthalmology inpatient consultations from the Children's Hospital section of the MUSC Medical Center.

• Complete preoperative evaluations and informed consent for patients from the VA, retina and pediatric ophthalmology services.

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• Perform or assist in surgery on the ocular muscles for the correction of strabismus.

• Assist in surgery for procedures involving the retina.

• Perform or assist anterior segment surgery such as cataract or glaucoma surgery or external eye surgery.

• Perform laser procedures using Argon, SLT, YAG, Diode lasers and intravitreal injections.

• Examine and treat outpatients in general ophthalmology, VA, pediatric ophthalmology and retina clinics.

PGY-4

• Determine the need for surgical or non-surgical treatment of urgent or emergent ophthalmology consultations during on-call hours.

• Supervise junior residents in general ophthalmology clinics and during on-call hours.

• Perform or assist in minor and major ophthalmic surgical procedures.

• Perform laser procedures on the eye to include more advanced techniques such as focal retinal laser procedures, SLT Laser Trabeculoplasty, and intravitreal injections.

• Examine and treat outpatients with simple or complex ophthalmology signs and symptoms.