POLICY
Duty Hours
Fellowship in Pediatric Anesthesiology
University of New Mexico

1. Duty hours are defined by the ACGME as all clinical activities related to the residency program, i.e. patient care (both inpatient and outpatient), administrative duties related to patient care, the provision for transfer of patient care, time spent in-house during call activities, and scheduled academic activities such as conferences. Duty hours do not include reading and preparation time spent away from the duty site.

2. The fellow in pediatric anesthesiology will be compliance with the duty hour policy set forth for the residents in the core program in anesthesiology.

3. The fellow will provide direct patient care in the Pediatric OR at the University of New Mexico 4 days a week for at least 7 months/year.

4. The fellow will be available for pediatric call from home 1 or 2 nights per week for at least 7 months/year. When 2 fellows are assigned to the UNM OR, one fellow will take call Tues/Thurs and the other fellow will take call on Wednesday. This will alternate weekly.

5. Duty hours will be limited to 80 hours per week, averaged over a four week period, inclusive of in-house call duties on all rotations.

6. If the fellow works past midnight, he/she will be given the following day off.

7. The fellow will have at least 10 hours off between going home at night and returning the next day for work.

8. The fellow will be required to take call from home 1 weekend per month.
9. The fellow will provide direct patient care at the Lucille Packard Children’s Hospital for 2 months during the rotation in cardiovascular anesthesia. During that rotation, the fellow will follow the call requirements and the duty hour expectations for the fellows at the Stanford program.

10. The fellow will not have call requirements during the rotations in research, acute/chronic pain/ newborn ICU and pediatric ICU.