

Congenital Cardiothoracic Surgery

Educational Purpose and Rationale

The Congenital Cardiothoracic Surgery service is a rotation in the PGY-5 year with an option for an second elective in the PGY-6 year. There will be graduated responsibility and participation in team management and operative procedures as the resident progresses with the goal of achieving strong fundamental competence in congenital thoracic disease and treatment that will prepare the resident to proceed to a Congenital fellowship if he /she desires an independent practice of congenital cardiothoracic surgery.

Specific educational goals include:

- Understand the evaluation of patients with all forms of congenital disease
- Learn to select and interpret appropriate diagnostic studies for optimal cost-effective care
- Demonstrate manual dexterity appropriate for their level of training with continuous improvement
- Develop critical care skills that keep current with state-of-the-art knowledge
- Learn to work in a multidisciplinary environment to provide optimal care for each patient