

Code of Conduct for Visiting Observer Physicians:

Purpose: Ensures an educational, professional, and safe observational visit while protecting patients and clinic integrity.

Role: Observer only; no patient interaction, medical advice, procedures, prescriptions, or equipment use. Must not represent oneself as clinic staff.

Core Principles: Patient safety first, strict confidentiality (HIPAA), adherence to clinic protocols, and professional conduct.

Professional Conduct:

- Observe only with patient's written consent.
- Introduce as a "visiting observer."
- Leave immediately if patient declines.
- Respect staff and intellectual property (no photos, recordings, or copying without permission).

Confidentiality: No disclosure of patient information, no case discussions outside clinical context, no social media posting, only de-identified notes allowed.

Observation Conduct: Must be supervised, wear professional attire, be punctual, remain silent and engaged, ask questions only at appropriate times.

Liability: Not covered by malpractice insurance; presence is observational only.

Compliance: Any violation results in immediate termination of privileges; serious breaches may be reported to home institution or licensing boards.

Acknowledgment: Observer must sign agreement confirming understanding and compliance.

Read and approved
Location: Date:
Signature