

EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT POLICIES

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Patient Population

Neonate	√
Pediatric	√
Adolescent	√
Adult	√
Geriatric	√

POLICY:

The primary role of the ED Attending is to assure quality patient care in the ED and supervise housestaff, physician assistants, and students.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. The ED Attendings are assigned to the ED exclusively.
2. The Attending must review all cases of patients seen by medical students or housestaff prior to discharge or admission from the ED. Attending documentation and signing the chart must occur prior to leaving the ED for admitted patients and within 72 hours for patients discharged from the hospital.