Online Appendix: Differences Between Documentation Practices at the Three Academic Medical Centers

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|  | **Hospital 1** | **Hospital 2** | **Hospital 3** |
| Progress Notes | | | |
| *Entered By* | Resident or Medical Student (co-signed by resident) | | |
| *Paper/Electronic* | Paper | | |
| *Free Text/Standard Field/Standardized Order* | Free Text | | |
| Physician Orders | | | |
| *Entered by* | Resident or Medical Student (co-signed by resident) | | Resident |
| *Paper/Electronic* | Paper | | Electronic |
| *Free Text/Standard Field/Standardized Order* | Free Text | *On Admission:* Standard Field - Located on the admission order sheet  *During Admission:* Free Text - On regular physician order sheets | *On Admission:* Standardized Order - Drop down menu as part of the General Internal Medicine order set when admitting a patient to internal medicine. *During Admission:* Standard Field - Located under code status in the electronic medical records. |
| Signout List | | | |
| *Entered By* | Resident or Medical Student | | |
| *Paper/Electronic* | Electronic - Web based. Can be accessed on any computer within the hospital, or by remote access at home. | Electronic - Web based. Can be accessed on any computer within the hospital. | Electronic - Web based. Can be accessed on any computer within the hospital, or by remote access at home. |
| *Free Text/Standard Field/Standardized Order* | Standard Field | | |
| Nursing Care Plan | | | |
| *Entered By* | Nurses | | |
| *Paper/Electronic* | Paper - There are two nursing care plans per ward, divided by patient room number. The nursing care plans are located at the central nursing station. | Paper - There are approximately 5 nursing care plans per ward, divided by patient room number. The nursing care plans are located at the central nursing station. | Paper - Nurses have an individualized nursing care plan binder containing the patients assigned to them. The nursing care plans are located on the nurse's individualized portable computer stations, outside the patient rooms. |
| *Free Text/Standard Field/Standardized Order* | Standard Field | Standard Field | Free Text |
| DNR Sheet | | | |
| *Entered By* | Nurses | | Resident |
| *Paper/Electronic:* | Paper - Bright green sheet that is meant to be the first document of the paper chart | Paper - Separate sheet that is meant to be the first document of the paper chart | Paper - Separate order sheet, that is meant to be placed in the physician orders section of the paper chart. |
| *Free Text/Standard Field/Standardized Order* | Standardized Order - The nurses complete once a physician order of DNR has been written | | Standardized Order - The residents complete once a physician order of DNR has been entered electronically |