ACGME-Accredited Neurological Surgery Residency Program
Block Diagram Template

Academic Year: 2026-2027

Program Name: Cleveland Clinic Florida **Program ID Number:** 1601100004

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
PGY-1	Rotation Name	Neurorad	Neuropath/Op	Neuro ICU	Neuro ICU	Neuro ICU	Neurology	Neurology	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY
	Primary Focus	N-Rad	Neuropath	N-ICU	N-ICU	N-ICU	N-Gen	N-Special	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY
	Site Number(s)	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Rotation Duration	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	% Outpatient	0	40	0	0	0	20	20	0	0	0	0	0
	% Research	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	Notes												

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
PGY-2	Rotation Name	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY
	Primary Focus	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY	NSGY
	Site Number(s)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Rotation Duration	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	% Outpatient	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	% Research	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	Notes												

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
PGY-3	Rotation Name	NS Cranial	NS Cranial	NS Cranial	NS Cranial	NS Cranial	NS Cranial	NS Spine	NS Spine	NS Spine	NS Spine	NS Spine	NS Spine
	Primary Focus	Cranial/Tumo	Cranial/Tumo	Cranial/Tumo	Functional	Functional	Functional	Spine NSGY	Spine NSGY	Spine NSGY	Spine NSGY	Spine NSGY	Spine NSGY
	Site Number(s)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Rotation Duration	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	% Outpatient	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
	% Research	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	Notes												

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
PGY-4	Rotation Name	NS Cranial	NS Cranial	NS Cranial	NS Cranial	NS Cranial	NS Cranial	NS Spine	NS Spine	NS Spine	NS Spine	NS Spine	NS Spine
	Primary Focus	Cranial/SB	Cranial/SB	Cranial/SB	OpenVasc	OpenVasc	OpenVasc	Spine NSGY	Spine NSGY	Spine NSGY	Peripheral	Peripheral	Peripheral
	Site Number(s)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Rotation Duration	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	% Outpatient	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
	% Research	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	Notes												

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
PGY-5	Rotation Name	Peds	Peds	Peds	Peds	EVS	EVS	EVS	EVS	rauma NSG	rauma NSG	rauma NSG	rauma NSGY
	Primary Focus	Peds	Peds	Peds	Peds	EndoVasc	EndoVasc	EndoVasc	EndoVasc	rauma NSG	rauma NSG	rauma NSG	rauma NSGY
	Site Number(s)	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	4
	Rotation Duration	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	% Outpatient	20	20	20	20	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	% Research	10	10	10	10	20	20	20	20	10	10	10	10
	Fellowship	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
	Notes												

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
PGY-6	Rotation Name	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief
	Primary Focus	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief	Chief
	Site Number(s)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Rotation Duration	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	% Outpatient	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	% Research	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	Fellowship	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
	Chief Rotation	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Notes												

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
PGY-7	Rotation Name	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective
	Primary Focus	ElectiveAway	ElectiveAway	ElectiveAway	ElectiveAway	ElectiveAway	ElectiveAway	ElectiveAway	ElectiveAway	ElectiveAway	ElectiveAway	ElectiveAway	ElectiveAway
	Site Number(s)	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
	Rotation Duration	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	% Outpatient	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	% Research	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	Fellowship	Yes-CAST	Yes-CAST	Yes-CAST	Yes-CAST	Yes-CAST	Yes-CAST	Yes-CAST	Yes-CAST	Yes-CAST	Yes-CAST	Yes-CAST	Yes-CAST
	Chief Rotation	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
	Notes	Fellowship at Site 1 or 2; CAST fellowship at Site 1 or 2; Transition to Practice at Site 1; Advanced Degree or International Elective; Research Elective at Site 1 or 2											

Clinical Site Names (Distance from Primary Clinical Site in Miles)

Site 1:	Cleveland Clinic Florida Main (Weston)	Site 1 Director Name:	Hoon Choi
Site 2:	Cleveland Clinic Main Campus Ohio (1229 mi)	Site 2 Director Name:	Richard Schlenk
Site 3:	Nicklaus Children's Hospital (27 mi)	Site 3 Director Name:	Toba Niazi
Site 4:	Broward Health Medical Center (18 mi)	Site 4 Director Name:	Dan Klinger
Site 5:		Site 5 Director Name:	
Add:		Add:	
Add:		Add:	

Vacation Policy:

Residents are provided an allowance of 15 working days of vacation per academic year upon program director approval (to be submitted 1 month in advance). No vacation generally allowed in June (except for PGY-7) or July. Vacations may be taken in blocks up to 5 consecutive weekdays.

Instructions:

-Fill out the Current Academic Year, Program Name, and ID Number at the top of the form. At the bottom of the form, indicate the participating clinical sites, followed by the number of miles from the primary clinical site in parentheses, and site director names

-At the bottom of the form, indicate the vacation and travel policy
-Use as many of the columns as needed to convey the number of rotations per year (e.g., six columns if there are six two-month rotations)
-Indicate the length of each rotation in months in the "Rotation Duration" column
-Core (non-elective) rotations during the PGY-3-7 at the primary clinical site and at all participating sites must be at least three months in duration
-Select one Primary Focus from the drop-down list for each rotation (see legend below for explanation of abbreviations)

Months	Core Clinical Rotations	Timing	Includes/Notes
3	Basic Neuroscience	First 18 months	Neurology, Neuro-otology, Neuroradiology, Neuropathology
3	Critical Care (Neuro)	First 18 months	Relevant to the Neurosurgical Patient
6+	General Patient Care		Structured education in Neurosurgery, Trauma/General/Orthopedics/ENT/Plastic Surgery
21	Neurological Surgery		
30	Elective		Neuropath/Radiology, Research, Neurological Surgery (e.g., complex spine surgery, endovascular or pediatric), Clinical/Non-Clinical
12	Chief Resident	PGY-6-7	
6 to 12	Outside Rotation	Optional	In ACGME-Accredited Program

Required: 54 months of core clinical neurological surgery and 84 total months
Color code the qualifying rotations within the block diagram to help articulate core clinical rotations

List of Primary Focus Abbreviations:

Select One:	
NSGY	Neurological Surgery - General/Community
Trauma NSGY	Trauma Neurological Surgery
Cranial/Tumor	Cranial-predominant/Intraparenchymal tumor Neurological Surgery
Cranial/SB	Cranial-predominant/Skull Base Neurological Surgery
Chief	Chief Service/Rotation
Cranial-Other	Mixed Cranial Rotation
EndoVasc	Endovascular Neurological Surgery
OpenVasc	Open Vascular Neurological Surgery
Spine NSGY	Spine-predominant Neurological Surgery
Spine ORTHO	Spine-predominant Orthopaedics
Functional	Functional/Epilepsy Neurological Surgery
Peripheral	Peripheral Nerve Neurological Surgery
Peds	Pediatric Neurological Surgery
Research	Research
ElectiveHome	Elective at Home Institution
ElectiveAway	Elective Away from Home Institution
Nights	Night Float
Days	Day Float
ED	Primary coverage of the Emergency Department
N-Special	Neurology - Stroke, EEG/Epilepsy, EMU, EMG/NCV, Movement Disorder, etc
N-Gen	Neurology - General
N-Onc	Neurology - Neuro-Oncology
N-ICU	Neuro/Neuroscience - Intensive Care Unit
S/O-ICU	Surgical Intensive Care Unit or Other Intensive Care Unit (Peds, Med, etc.)
Anes	Anesthesiology
N-Rad	Neuroradiology
Plastics	Plastic Surgery
Neuropath	Neuropathology
GS-Trauma	General Surgery - Trauma
ENT	Ear, Nose, and Throat/Otorhinolaryngology
Ophth	Neuro-Ophthamology/Ophthamology
Rads	Gamma Knife/Radiation Oncology
Other	Other (Specify further in "Rotation Name" and/or "Additional Notes")

List of Fellowship Abbreviations

Select One:	
No	No Fellowship
Yes-ACGME	ACGME-Accredited Fellowship
Yes-CAST	CAST-Accredited Fellowship
Yes-NA	No Accrediation for Fellowship

% Outpatient/Research
0
5
10
15
20
25
30
35
40
45
50
55
60
65
70
75
80
85
90
95
100

Site #
1
2
3
4
5

Rotation Duration	
0.25	Month
0.5	Month
1	Month

Didactic Hours/Wk
<1
1 to 2
2 to 3
3 to 5
5 to 10
10+

Additional Information (optional):

PGY-1: Fulfill Case Min Req for Critical Care and Radiosurgery. Fulfill Basice Neuroscience and NeuroICU Care Req. Structured Education in Neurosurgery.
PGY-2: Structured Education in Neurosurgery.
PGY-3, 4, 5: Operative Neurosurgery. Fulfill and exceed all Case Minimum Requirements. Pass Boards for Credit. Pediatrics and Trauma Rotations.

PGY-6: Chief Year.
PGY-7: Fellowship Year. May be performed at Primary Clinical Site in Florida or at Cleveland Clinic Main Campus in Ohio. CAST-accreditation available in FL and OH.
PGY-7: May pursue an advanced degree. May undertake a Domestic or International Away Elective at PD's discretion. May undertake a Research Elective at PD's discretion.

Research should occur throughout Residency.
Must pass USMLE Step 3 and Neuroanatomy Exam as PGY-1. ABNS Primary Exam taken for practice as PGY-2 and for credit as PGY-3, 4, and 5. Must pass by PGY-5 before advancing to Chief Year.