

## **West Virginia University School of Public Health Graduate Medical Education Policy on Professional Liability Insurance**

The West Virginia State Board of Risk and Insurance Management provides professional liability (malpractice) coverage. The Board of Risk and Insurance Management is a state agency that self-insures professional liability coverage for all state employees. This occurrence-based coverage provides limits of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) per occurrence. The coverage applies to all acts within the assigned duties and responsibilities of the residency training program; it does not cover residents for outside activities such as moonlighting. Residents are required to provide their own professional liability coverage for activities outside the residency training program.

Residents must report any questionable incidents concerning patient care to the program director and to Risk Management at the Health Sciences Center. A written report must be completed and sent to Risk Management at the Health Sciences Center (PO Box 9032) to be reviewed and forwarded to the Board of Risk and Insurance Management as needed. Risk Management at the Health Sciences Center can be reached at 304-293-3584 (Health Sciences) and 304-598-4070 (WVUH). In the event a claim or suit is filed after a resident leaves the WVU School of Public Health, it is still the former resident's responsibility to cooperate with Risk Management at the Health Sciences Center. Occurrences will be covered for assigned duties and responsibilities of the residency training program during the dates of resident employment.

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