

The chief resident as a role model for CanMEDS: A surgery chief resident workshop

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The chief resident has many roles to fill and requires a wide range of skill sets. There is often little or no prior training for these skills.

A 1-day introductory workshop was designed to fill this perceived need in surgical programs at the University of Manitoba and to assist chief residents in their roles. Additional educational modules have been provided and are planned throughout the year to further enhance skill sets.

The roles of the chief resident fall within the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada's CanMEDs Roles of the physician. Many overlapping skills are necessary to meet the expectations within these competencies. Chief residents are models for these Roles for other residents, medical students and other learners.

Our aim is to describe the curriculum development of this skills workshop and demonstrate how chief residents can be another role model for CanMEDS. Through the framing of workshop objectives into CanMEDS, another tool was created to help promote the conceptual framework to our learners and teachers.

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