



# Morbidity and Mortality Conferences

## Overview

Morbidity and Mortality Conferences are held as an opportunity to review and learn from experiences in healthcare that result in unintended patient outcomes: morbidities and mortalities. These conferences support a systematic review of patient complications of care and deaths in order to improve future patient care and professional learning. The conferences are intended to be blame free and encourage transparency.

The cases selected for presentation at Morbidity and Mortality Conferences include:

**All mortalities**

**All cardiac arrests**, defined as requiring chest compressions

**Discussion cases**, where a deviation from a standard of care occurred or where there is a reasonable opportunity for improvement in the care we provided.

There are generally 4 parties involved in a Morbidity and Mortality Conference: the M&M chairs, the Chief Resident, the inpatient service involved in the patient's care, and the presenting PGY2/PGY3 resident(s).

## Responsibilities

1. The **M&M chairs** will review cases brought to the M&M committee and determine which cases warrant a presentation. They will identify the case to be presented at the next scheduled M&M conference as dictated by the Academic Calendar. They will then reach out to the inpatient service involved in the patient care to identify the faculty and residents involved in the case.

After the faculty mentor and residents have been chosen, the M&M chair will reach out to them to explain their role and responsibilities in the M&M conference.

2. The **Inpatient Service involved** will identify a faculty mentor as well as the residents involved in the case to the M&M Chairs and the Chief Resident. They will also let the faculty mentor know about their role in the upcoming M&M conference.
3. The **Chief Resident** will act as the liaison between M&M faculty members and the residents involved in the M&M. Once notified by the Inpatient Service involved, will identify which resident(s) involved in the case are available to present based on the resident schedule. The Chief Resident will send these resident names to the M&M chairs and Inpatient Service involved for confirmation. Once confirmed, the Chief Resident will let the residents know of their assignment as M&M presenters, the case involved, and their faculty mentors.



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4. The **PGY2/3 Resident** will be notified they are chosen to present an M&M by the M&M chair at least 1 month prior to the scheduled conference. They will create the M&M presentation based off the provided template with the aid of their faculty mentor. Once the presentation is created, the PGY2/3 Resident will review their presentation with their faculty mentor ideally 1 week prior to the M&M. The PGY2/3 Resident will then present the case to the department at the M&M conference.

## Logistics

M&M Format:	M&M Chair Introduction	5-10 minutes
	Pediatric Resident Case Presentation	20-30 minutes
	Faculty Mentor discussion	15-20 minutes

Attendees of the M&M are eligible for CME Credit.