

## **Exploring physician perspectives of residency holdover handoffs: a qualitative study to understand an increasingly important type of handoff.**

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Patients hospitalized and cared for by an overnight physician, known as "holdover admissions," are increasingly common due to [duty hours](#) limitations, and they necessitate [handoffs](#) between admitting physicians and the new primary medical team. This qualitative study identified unmet needs in holdover handoffs, including assessment of diagnostic uncertainty, standardization, and feedback. The authors call for more scrutiny of holdover handoffs.