RESEARCH IN RESIDENCY PROGRAM  
Department of Internal Medicine  
Yale University School of Medicine

STATEMENT OF INTENT  
DUE October 4, 2024

This document confirms our commitment to the Research in Residency Program in 
the Department of Internal Medicine, Yale University School of Medicine. It is 
understood that the postgraduate RESIDENT is committed to pursue an 
independent research project under the guidance of the FACULTY MENTOR for a 
total of 3 elective months during residency training. 
This commitment confirms the following:

1. Arrange brief meeting with Dr. Quagliarello via lynn.gambardella@yale.edu 
or 203-785-4140, to discuss project ideas, by September 11, 2024.
2. The RESIDENT will develop and submit a 3-page Research Proposal by 
December 6, 2024 deadline signed by the FACULTY MENTOR for 
approval by the Department of Internal Medicine.
3. The RESIDENT will revise the proposal if required for approval.
4. The RESIDENT will be responsible to obtain necessary regulatory 
approvals (e.g., HIC, animal care) to complete the project.
5. The RESIDENT will engage in the research in the 3 months of research 
elective time allotted by the Department of Internal Medicine, and attend 
relevant research conferences weekly during the research months in the 
subspecialty area of their project to gain understanding of the breadth of 
ongoing related research.
6. The RESIDENT will submit a one-page Research Summary of the results 
of the research project by March 13, 2026 deadline to Ms. Lynn 
Gambardella, Assistant to the Director of the Research in Residency 
Program (Dr. Quagliarello) via email at lynn.gambardella@yale.edu,
7. The FACULTY MENTOR will guide, assist, and support the resident in the 
process of generating the proposal, obtaining regulatory approval for the 
research, collecting data, analyzing data, and approving the final results.

Proposal Title:______________________________________________________
(Type or Print Clearly)

Please Check:   Bench Project:______                   Clinical Project:_______

RESIDENT NAME:______________________________
(Type or Print Clearly)

RESIDENT Signature:______________________________

FACULTY MENTOR NAME:__________________________
(Type or Print Clearly)

FACULTY MENTOR Signature:__________________________ DATE:____________
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RESEARCH PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

1. Research Proposal should be developed under the guidance of the faculty mentor.

2. Overall length of proposal is 3 pages maximum (1-inch margins, 12 point font) and must adhere to the following structure:

   I. Specific Aims and Hypothesis: List explicitly what your specific aims are for the research project. State, in one sentence, what your educated guess is (i.e., your hypothesis) as to the anticipated result of the research project. (1/4 page)

   II. Background Information: Briefly describe the background information that supports pursuit of this research project and why it is important; you can include preliminary data if available. (3/4 page)

   III. Research Methods: Describe the research methods you will use for pursuing your specific aims of the project. Use explicit subheadings including study design, data collection, data analysis. (1 page)

   IV. Timeline of Research Project: List here what you plan to accomplish in each of the three months identified for the research project. (1/4 page)

   V. Literature Cited. (3/4 page)

3. Deadline for submission of the proposal is December 6, 2024. Proposal must be signed by the RESIDENT and FACULTY MENTOR to be considered eligible. Please submit proposal to Ms. Lynn Gambardella in TAC 169A, Yale University School of Medicine. Please call (203-785-4140) or email (vincent.quagliarello@yale.edu) if you have any questions.
RESEARCH SUMMARY GUIDELINES

The purpose of the Research Summary is to document the final results of the project. This should consist of a one page summary (12 point font, 1” margins) highlighting the following areas:

1. Restatement of the specific aim and hypothesis.
2. Brief review of methods actually used in the project.
3. Description of Results.
4. Conclusion.

Deadline for submission of the Research Summary is March 13, 2026 and it must be signed by the Resident and Faculty Mentor. Please deliver it to Ms. Lynn Gambardella, TAC 169A, Yale University School of Medicine. Please call (203-785-4140) or email (vincent.quagliarello@yale.edu) if you have any questions.

Since this is an elective experience for house staff, and the Program’s desire to be fair to all candidates, we ask that you respect the Program and the deadlines. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THESE DEADLINES.

If you choose one of your three research elective months to occur in your PGY-2 year, it will only be assigned to you in the second 6 months in that academic year (i.e., from January –June) and you will only be eligible to use that month for research if you submit your Statement of Intent before the October deadline, and the Research Proposal for the December deadline.

If, during the course of conducting your project, you wish to change your project or if its feasibility is challenged, you must contact Dr. Quagliarello and Dr. Siegel immediately. All projects for which RIR elective time was utilized will be expected to have the results presented at RIR day.