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MEMO

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TO: All First-Year Residents

FM: Dr. David Lindstrom, Chief of Surgery *DL*

RE: Welcome

As Chief of Surgery, I would like to extend my heartfelt welcome to each of you. While you are probably anxious to begin your duties, please take a moment to examine the orientation materials enclosed:

1. The "Operating Procedures Manual" explaining how to get started.
2. The "New Resident Orientation" (rev. 9/88) handout (attached to this memo), detailing basic hospital procedures of patient admittance, diagnosis and the use of message pagers.
3. A copy of Chapters IV, V and Appendix A of Merl and Newman's classic text, "Anatomy and the Surgical Technique" (Copyright 1938, 1956, 1987, reprinted with permission of STW Medical Press). While our medical center is a general admitting facility, we take special pride in our Department of Abdominal Surgery, founded in 1943 by Drs. Robert Merl and Simon Newman. Due to our expertise, many patients with abdominal complaints are transferred to TGH and - even as a resident - you can expect to see many such cases. This reprint should help refresh your memory regarding the techniques and terminology of abdominal surgery.
4. A history of surgery. It has long been the belief of the hospital Board of Directors that modern medical instruction, with its emphasis on technique, neglects the more human aspects of the healing arts. This document is intended, in small measure, to correct this oversight.

During the day, you can often find me in the classroom where I give daily lectures. I will be more than happy to respond to any problems you may be having with diagnosis or surgical techniques. Once again, welcome to Toolworks General.