

National Trends on Chief Resident Salaries Across the United States

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Introduction: Chief residents in US medical training programs often serve to perform many different, essential, and beneficial roles that would otherwise necessitate additional administrative, academic, or clinical staff. Despite often taking on various additional responsibilities, supplemental compensation, or lack thereof, for resident chiefs can vary significantly from program to program. Having a better understanding of national trends related to chief resident compensation may benefit US medical residency program policy makers.

Objectives: To better understand national trends regarding supplemental compensation for resident chiefs.

Methods: This study will review available literature from published resources, including PubMed, regarding chief resident salaries across the United States.

Results: Preliminary data suggests that many residency programs across the United States offer additional benefits and incentives to chief residents, including additional financial compensation.

Conclusion: Given the additional physical, social, psychological, academic, clerical, and clinical responsibilities many chief residents bear on top of their normal residency training demands, proportional supplemental monetary compensation may be warranted for many US medical residency training programs.

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