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Supplemental Digital Appendix 1

Coding Rubric for Nature of Feedback in Narrative Comments: Orientation and Relevance of Feedback

Code ¹	Dimension 1: Orientation		Dimension 2: Relevance of Feedback	
Code.	Anchor	Sample Comment	Anchor	Sample Comment
4	High Praise	[Resident] had a good attitude about work, was reliable, and very willing to do whatever necessary for the efficiency of the team. [Resident] was extremely committed to patient care and to understanding the clinical context of her patients.	Very Relevant	I enjoyed working with [Resident]. Kept up with most details on his patients. Management and care plans were good. [Resident's] cases were the hardest in the group and very complicated. Considering this, the [resident] performed fairly well. [Resident] developed a positive rapport with his patients which was evident on my rounds. Good case presentations on rounds.
3	Modest Praise	Good PG1. Committed; worked well with team. Clinical skills developing appropriately	Relevant	Pleasure to work with, good clinical knowledge and judgment. Dependable. Would be happy to work with [resident] again.
2	Critical	Appeared to have appropriate knowledge for clinical training but at times had difficulty presenting information in a way that was straightforward, concise. Also was often hesitant to come up with a plan for patients and would instead rely on superiors	Irrelevant	Great job, ready to run his own service.
1	Very Critical	[Resident] was unable to efficiently complete tasks. [Resident] spent a lot of time getting her work done and sometimes prioritizing tasks was a problem. [Resident] will need some work before moving on to the next level.	Very Irrelevant	Excellent job.

To facilitate correlation with quantitative data, we coded all qualitative comments for two dimensions related to the nature of feedback: (1) orientation (praising or critical), and (2) relevance (i.e., the specificity of comments and whether actionable behavior was included).

Note:

1. Coding for all narrative comments was conducted by two reviewers. Discrepancies were resolved through discussion until consensus was achieved for all comments.