Hello GMEC and Core faculty members, PHM and Amb Attendings,

I wanted to provide additional information, in line with the email just sent out regarding Resident access to AI scribes (please review the email below). Please feel free to share this additional information with your colleagues.

UCSF (Oakland/SF) residents will have access to AI Scribe starting Dec 1st after completing the required training. (This is only within UCSF Health and does not apply to medical students or visiting trainees.)

Leadership in each resident/fellow training program throughout UCSF will make decisions regarding scribe use within their program.

In alignment cross-bay, both pediatric residency programs will allow residents to use AI scribes at all levels of training, and we will continue to learn best practices together. We plan to have a working group/task force to do continuous QI within our Oakland program, which will include trainees. There will also be some research/studying of this work.

If you are interested in being involved to represent your clinical area, please reach out to April Zaat and me.

Many of us have started using the Abridge AI Scribe. It will take some time to get everyone trained. In the meantime, please ensure that faculty and fellows in your clinical areas complete the training and review the best practices shared in this email, so they are prepared to work with residents in this capacity.

Thank you,
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Dear Peds Faculty,

We write to let you know of an upcoming change that will take place on and after December 1st. As many of you may already know, AI Scribe is available to faculty in outpatient and select inpatient environments across UCSF Health Campuses. The GME Office led a Taskforce that partnered with other programs who have already implemented AI in the context of training programs and made some final recommendations with regards to trainee use of AI in both impatient and outpatient clinical spaces across UCSF Health.

Both Celeste and I are in support of permitting all levels of our trainees to use AI Scribe broadly across clinical contexts. We have attached a few key documents and are linking a recent NEJM paper written by UCSF faculty (here) that you may find helpful as we navigate this new landscape. A few key points:

- This applies to UCSF Health patients ONLY (not at ZSFGH)
- We are asking that residents consent patients and families for use of AI and document this in their note
- For faculty
    - Please review the note for accuracy, especially the assessment and plan, particularly if AI is used for this portion
    - Please consider using this technology as another teaching opportunity: what other differential diagnoses should be considered? What other tests might be useful?

In addition to the attached tipsheet, the Center for Faculty Educators is planning sessions in early 2026 for people to learn with and from each other what works and doesn't work in precepting with AI scribes present, so faculty who are interested in learning more, keep an eye out for email invites.

We know that this is new for all of us. There are no true best practices to navigate this, but like any other tool or technology in the clinical environment, we encourage all who use it to see this as a mutual learning opportunity and co-create new knowledge.

Sincerely,

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