

**Online Handbook
GME and Erlanger Policies
Lab Coats and Dress Code**

Erlanger has established a dress code policy for residents and medical students that basically outlines appearance as "neat, clean, and professional." Men should wear business-type slacks with shirt and tie. Women should wear business type dress or suit, or slacks/skirt with neat blouse or top. Conservative dress shoes with socks or hose must be worn. Clean, conservative tennis or running shoes are permitted due to long work and call hours.

Residents must wear UT-issued white lab coats. These have the UT logo monogrammed and denote the individual's name. Each coat also indicates that the individual is a UT Resident in a specific department. Residents must also wear their Erlanger Photo ID badges with the personalized lab coats. Lab coats will be distributed to new residents at New Resident Orientation. Replacement coats for returning residents (with the UT logo and monogrammed name) will be distributed by the end of summer via the departments

Blue scrub suits are to be worn only in restricted areas of the hospital (ICU, Labor and Delivery, operating rooms, etc.) and are not to be worn outside these areas. Violations of this policy can lead to infection control problems as well as depleting the hospital's supplies of scrub suits for the operating rooms and ICU areas. Erlanger's dress code policy does not allow any employee to leave the hospital in scrub suits.

Medical students follow the same dress code as do residents with a small difference - they wear the short, white lab jackets. UT medical students are required to have the UT Medical Student patch denoting their status as well as continuing to wear the Erlanger Photo ID badge which further indicates their student status.

Both residents and medical students are responsible for laundering their own coats and jackets. Erlanger does not provide laundry service.