Langley Porter Child and Adolescent Psychiatry
Attending Notification Policy

**Urgent Communication:**
The case attending or the faculty back-up attending must be notified within 1 hour of the following critical changes in a patient’s condition:
- Imminent suicidality
- Imminent homicidality
- Completed self-harm with suicidal intent
- Completed self-harm with injuries requiring medical attention
- All admissions to the Emergency Department
- All requests for Child Crisis involvement
- All reports of suspected child abuse

**Routine Communication:**
An attending should also be contacted prior to:
- Any direct admission to the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Clinics
- Any discharge of a patient from the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Clinics

An attending should also be contacted within 24 hours if:
- A patient considered at risk for harm to self or others is non-adherent to scheduled visits or key elements of the treatment plan
- Any trainee feels that a situation is more complicated than she or he can handle