Curriculum outline for XYZ residency program

II. Core Competencies

D. Practice-based Learning and Improvement

3. In order to encourage the routine practice of reading, analyzing and utilizing medical research literature, and to provide experience in doing so, residents will participate in a monthly Journal Club. Applying knowledge of research methodology, biostatistics and related skills obtained during preparation for the residents’ research project (see XX.X), each resident will be expected to:

a. Analyze the quality and validity of assigned research journal articles from the current medical research literature

b. Lead a discussion of such assigned articles during Journal Club presentations

c. Critique assigned articles in a manner that meets the criteria included in the Journal Club Checklist (see Appendix YY), particularly noting the relevance of the conclusions of the article to the current practice of clinical medicine in this specialty

d. Demonstrate through entries in the resident’s individual portfolio a minimum of X Journal Club Checklist evaluation forms illustrating the resident’s ability to adequately appraise research literature (i.e., with summary scores above Y)