

## **CU MEDICINE Guideline for Macro Templates and Copy Functionality in EMR Addendum-UCH**

### **Identified Risks in an EMR**

- If the medical record does not clearly identify the original source of documentation it may allow inappropriate use of medical student documentation (inadvertently or intentionally) in support of a bill. Therefore, the creation of an audit trail alone is not sufficient to address this risk. Intentional use of medical student documentation that is not re-documented by the resident or teaching physician may be considered by the Federal government to be fraud and may lead to allegations of the False Claims Act violations.

### **Medical Students**

CMS has defined the following as related to medical students:

- Elements of EMR student documentation that must be re-documented by a resident or teaching physician for the E/M service include the history of present illness, physical exam and medical decision making. For any other non-E/M service the resident or teaching physician must re-document the entire service.
- Copy/paste of a medical student note will be identical in content. Providers must perform and document their own services.

### **CU MEDICINE Finance Audit Committee recommended for EPIC process**

- Teaching physicians must use **“create note”** function to add their documentation and reference the medical student note.
- Providers may not use the following functions in the EMR as it relates to Medical Student’s note:
  - Copy/Paste/Forward
  - Make Me the Author
  - Edit Note