

**University of Alabama at Birmingham  
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**Policy on Order Writing**  
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Inpatient order writing is the responsibility of the patient's hospital primary admitting team, including the attending physician-in-charge, and his/her team of residents. To avoid medical errors, the entry of hospital orders should be restricted to the hospital's primary admitting team. Endocrinology fellows who wish to enter an order for an inpatient should indicate the recommendation in the written consult, or contact one of the patient's hospital physicians (primary team's resident or attending physician) to discuss the need for the order. The Endocrinology fellow may write an order directly with permission from one of the hospital's primary team physicians or in the event of an emergency.

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