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Hilary Ryder is a second-year resident in internal medicine at Dartmouth-Hitchcock. That means, on most rotations, spending every fourth day on call. And that means at least 24 hours of nearly nonstop activity. Dartmouth Medicine shadowed Ryder for a day to show what life is like for a resident.

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