

Elective: Obstetrics & Gynecology – High Risk Obstetrics/Maternal Fetal Medicine Elective

OVERVIEW

The 2-week elective will provide an opportunity for the student to participate in the care of high risk obstetrical patients. Learning will take place in hospital and clinic environments. This experience will be of interest to the student considering a career in Radiology, Pediatrics, Perinatology, Internal Medicine, Anesthesia or Obstetrics and Gynecology. The elective will be offered at St. Boniface Hospital.

INTRODUCTION

Location(s):

St. Boniface Hospital

Preceptors:

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES (CanMEDS)

Medical Expert

As Medical Experts, physicians integrate all of the CanMEDS Roles, applying medical knowledge, clinical skills and professional attitudes in their provision of patient-centered care.

- Participate in the diagnosis and care of women with pregnancies complicated by antepartum bleeding, threatened premature labour, premature rupture of the membranes, obstructed labour, gestational diabetes, pregnancy induced hypertension, multiple gestation and fetal anomalies.
- Understand the indications for and interpretation of antepartum screening and fetal surveillance including obstetrical ultrasound and genetic testing.
- Recognize fetal viability, position and amniotic fluid volume on obstetrical ultrasound.

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Communicator

Physicians effectively facilitate the doctor-patient relationship and the dynamic exchanges that occur before, during, and after the medical encounter.

- Take a skillful, focused history using both open-ended and directed questions.
- Inform patients about their findings, diagnoses and interventions using language that is respectful of and appropriate for their level of understanding.

Collaborator

Physicians effectively work within a healthcare team to achieve optimal patient care.

- Interact with all members of the health care team in a respectful, inclusive manner, acknowledging the value of the team approach in optimal patient care.
- Develop an awareness of one's own limitations and seek timely assistance/consultation/referral when appropriate.

Leader

Physicians engage with others to contribute to a vision of a high-quality health care system and take responsibility for the delivery of excellent patient care through their activities as clinicians, administrators, scholars, or teachers.

- Develop an understanding of the life/work balance, practice management, administrative responsibility, academic mandate and remuneration involved in a high risk obstetrical practice.

Health Advocate

Physicians responsibly use their expertise and influence to advance the health and well-being of individual patients, communities and populations.

- Recognize the social determinants of health and take these into account when recommending diagnostic and treatment approaches.
- Advocate for culturally competent, patient-centered care for each patient in your care.

Scholar

Physicians demonstrate a lifelong commitment to reflective learning, as well as the creation, dissemination, application and translation of medical knowledge.

- Practice evidence-based medicine. Use on-line resources to enhance patient care.
- Teach others. Discuss alternative approaches based on available evidence.

Professional

As Professionals, physicians are committed to the health and well-being of individuals and society through ethical practice, profession-Led regulation, and high personal standards of behaviour.

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- Develop the habit of life-long learning and commitment to excellence in the practice of medicine.
 - Demonstrate a high level of ethical, honest, professional behaviour both inside and outside the clinical environment.
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INFORMATION

Evaluations

Assessment will be based on demonstrated achievement of the Learning Objectives. The two preceptors will be responsible for completion of the final assessment report using direct observation and information gleaned from other physicians and health care providers.

WARD ACTIVITIES

Expectations

- Each elective student will be assigned to a senior Consultant Obstetrician (Dr. debbie Robinson or designate) and a Maternal Fetal Medicine sub-specialist (Dr. Craig Buryim or designate).
- Elective students are expected to attend clinics and take obstetrical call with these preceptors.
- Students should contact Dr. Debbie Robinson well in advance of the elective to arrange their schedules and discuss their personal learning objectives.
- Students should confirm their meeting place for the first day of the elective.
- Visiting elective students must obtain photo identification, activated swipe cards and verification of compliance with the Manitoba Personal Health Information Act (PHIA) before having contact with patients.
- Contact information and directions are available from the Undergraduate Medical Education office of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

Service Rounds

- Grand Rounds Wednesday morning 0745-0900 Frederic Gaspard Theatre linked to SBGH NG002
- Perinatal Rounds, SBGH Thursday 0800-0900
- Attending rounds is dependent on schedule with assigned preceptor.