

Elective: Obstetrics & Gynecology – Gynecology

OVERVIEW

The elective student participates as part of the gynaecological team under the direction of the assigned preceptor, and senior resident.

INTRODUCTION

The 2-week elective will provide an opportunity for the student to help diagnose, treat and advise women presenting with gynecological complaints. Learning will take place in inpatient, emergency and clinic environments. This experience will be of interest to the student considering a career in Family Medicine, Emergency Medicine, Sports Medicine, Endocrinology, Dermatology, Sexual Medicine or Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Locations:

Women's Hospital, SBGH, Private practice offices

Preceptors: will be determined based on availability

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Schedule

Each elective student will be assigned to a consultant gynecologist and expected to be available to attend clinics, surgeries and on-call activities with that preceptor. Students should contact their assigned preceptor well in advance of the elective to arrange their schedules and discuss their personal learning objectives. University of Manitoba students should identify the meeting place for the first day of the elective. Visiting Elective students should report to the Women's Hospital Senior Administrative Resident (SAR) on Gynecology for sign-over rounds at 0700 on the first day of the elective. After rounds and orientation, visiting students must obtain photo identification, activated swipe cards and verification of compliance with the Manitoba Personal Health Information Act (PHIA). Preceptor assignments, contact information and directions are available from the Undergraduate Medical Education office of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES (CanMEDS)

Medical Expert

- Diagnose and understand treatment approaches for patients with common gynecological conditions (abnormal uterine bleeding, menopause, contraception, amenorrhea, vulvovaginal complaints, etc).
- Perform basic gynecological procedures under supervision while minimizing discomfort to the patient (speculum examination, bimanual examination, pap smear, endometrial biopsy, IUCD insertion, pessary insertion and removal).

Communicator

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

Collaborator

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

Manager

- Develop an understanding of the life/work balance, practice management, administrative responsibilities, and remuneration available in gynecological practice.

Health Advocate

- 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

- Practice evidence-based medicine. Use on-line resources to enhance patient care.
- Teach others. Engage in active discussion regarding alternative approaches based on the available evidence.

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Professional

- 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.

INFORMATION

Gyn Onc Rounds & Pathology rounds (Monday mornings at 8 am at HSC), Grand Rounds Wednesday morning 0745-0900 Frederic Gaspard Theatre linked to SBGH - NG002; attending rounds is dependent on schedule with assigned preceptor.

EVALUATION/FEEDBACK – FIRST DAY/EXIT INTERVIEWS

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