Title of Elective Clerkship: Child / Adolescent Psychiatry Acting Internship

Elective type: Fourth Year Acting Internship

Department: Psychiatry

Elective site: UTMC - Kobacker Center

Course number: PSCH709

Blocks available: Must check availability with Clerkship Coordinator prior to enrolling in course

Number of students per block: One maximum (but must check availability with Clerkship Coordinator prior to enrolling in course)

Faculty: Theodor Rais, M.D., Tanvir Singh, M.D.

Elective description/requirements:

The student participating in this acting internship will be working primarily at UTMC – Kobacker Center, on the inpatient unit. The student will be responsible for completing initial evaluations of children and adolescents with severe emotional disorders and psychiatric illnesses who are admitted to this hospital. This will be done with supervision primarily from Theodor Rais, M.D. and/or Tanvir Singh, M.D. These physicians will supervise the student in all aspects of clinical management following admission. On occasion, the students will have an opportunity to accompany general psychiatry residents and child and adolescent psychiatry fellows in order to complete child/adolescent psychiatric consultations in UTMC’s Emergency Department. S/he will assist in clinical team preparation for family meetings and meetings including representatives from numerous outside agencies, programs, schools, etc. In addition to learning about the clinical aspects of psychiatric management, the student will gain an understanding of various systems of care and the necessity for cross-system collaboration. It is expected that the student will take significant responsibility in the daily management of individuals assigned to him/her, and close collaboration with other members of the multidisciplinary team will be expected.

Length of Elective Clerkship: Four weeks

Educational Course Objectives and linkages to Educational Program Objectives:

1. Explain the neurobiological and developmental changes underlying Attention-Deficit / Hyperactivity Disorder, Major Depressive Disorder, Bipolar I Disorder, and various
pervasive developmental disorders, including, but not limited to, Autistic Disorder, Childhood Disintegrative Disorder and Asperger’s Disorder.

K1, K2, K3, K4, K7, K11, K13

2. Perform a complete psychiatric assessment on admission, discuss differential diagnosis, recommend appropriate laboratory / diagnostic testing, and develop a treatment plan that includes community-based resources and recommendations for outpatient psychiatric management. Include situations in which the child/adolescent is at risk of self-harm.

K5, S1, S2, S3, S5, S7, S8, S10, P1-7

3. Discuss common interactions that occur between a multi-disciplinary treatment team in an inpatient psychiatric facility and individuals who are involved in family court / juvenile probation, the school system, and various community-based programs and initiatives.

S1, S8, S9, P1-7

Professionalism:
UT COM students will meet or exceed the institutional standards for professionalism as stated in the current Educational Program Objectives and the current Educational Course Objectives for the sponsoring department

Instructional methods:
Case write-ups, clinical case presentations/discussions, use/interpretation of various laboratory and diagnostic tests, independent study, mentored clinical practice, child/adolescent psychiatry residency program and child/adolescent division seminars and conferences and teaching rounds

Evaluation methods:
Attendance, clinical competency evaluation via faculty and resident observation of clinical skills, narrative and self-assessment

Prerequisites: Successful completion of all third-year required clerkships

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Special requirements: None

AAMC Hot Topics addressed in this Elective Clerkship:
Community health, family violence/abuse, human development/life cycle