Title of Clerkship: General Surgery
Elective Type: Acting Internship
Department: Surgery
Clerkship Site: St. Joseph’s Mercy, Ann Arbor
Course Number: SURG 716
Blocks available: All
Number of students per block: 1
Faculty: General Surgery Attendings and Residents

Elective Description/Requirements:
Students will be integrated into the service as a member of the surgical team, participating in all aspects of patient management, both inpatient and outpatient. The student will be expected to complete at least 40 hours per week on the service.
Each acting intern must complete two on-line modules to prepare the acting intern for his/her role as a teacher or junior medical student.

Length of Clerkship:

Links to EPOs

Educational Course Objectives: At the end of the rotation the student will be able to:

S7, S9, K1, K4, K7 1. Demonstrate a working knowledge of common surgical problems
S3, S4, S5, K7 2. Demonstrate proficiency in performing a complete surgical history and physical examination
S7, S8, S9, S11, K7 3. Implementing a plan for diagnostic evaluation
S3, S4, S5, K7 4. Interpret the significance of history and physical, laboratory and diagnostic findings to formulate a differential diagnosis
S8, S9, S10, S11, K2 5. Demonstrate basic understanding of therapeutic options
S6 6. Acquire basic operative skills necessary to perform less complex procedures
S1, S3, S5, S7 7. Write a complete and accurate daily progress note including interpretation of results of laboratory and radiographic/imaging studies
S6 8. Acquire skills to assist in wound care, surgical endoscopy, abdominal, endocrine, and cancer surgery
S6 9. Suturing and laparoscopic procedure techniques
S1, S3 10. Accurately present patient information concerning the patient’s condition, progress and results of laboratory and radiographic/imaging studies

Professionalism: Students will meet or exceed the standards for professionalism as stated in the current Educational Program Objectives and the current Educational Course Objectives for the Sponsoring Department.

Instructional Methods:

1. Interpretation of lab data
2. Diagnostic tests-use/interpretation
3. Small group instruction
4. Case studies
5. Ambulatory care experience
6. Grand rounds
7. Teaching rounds
8. Residency program/departmental conferences

Evaluation methods employed: (please make selection from CurrMIT list)

1. Clinical competency evaluations
2. Faculty/Resident observation
3. Professional assessments
4. Attendance
5. Case write up

Prerequisites: Successful completion of required Surgery clerkship.

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Special Requirements: Participation in night call is recommended because many cases come in after hours. A call schedule will be arranged per individual.

AAMC Hot Topics Addressed in this Elective Clerkship: (please make selection from attached Hot Topic list)