

MEDICAL / PA STUDENT UROLOGY ROTATION

INTRODUCTION

The Urology Department would like to welcome you to your rotation on our service. After completing your urology rotation you will have an introductory exposure to the evaluation of urology patients and the formulation of treatment plans.

OBJECTIVES: Introductory exposure to the following:

- a. The natural history and pathophysiology of adult urologic surgical diseases.
- b. Pre and post-operative care of surgical patients.
- c. Diagnosis and treatment of infectious diseases of the urinary system.
- d. Diagnosis and treatment of cancer of the urological system.
- e. Management of urologic problems related to spinal cord injury.
- f. Management of urologic trauma.
- g. Management of erectile dysfunction and related diseases.
- h. Diagnosis and treatment of general urologic diseases.

Definitions of supervision and responsibility are consistent with the Department of Surgery and are defined as follows:

1. The Medical or PA student is expected to be a participating team member of their assigned time on the urology service.
 - a. He/She will evaluate patients on the urology service and work closely with any surgical residents assigned to the urology service.
 - b. Prior to scrubbing into the OR (expected to be in surgical area at 0645 or 0800 on non-OR days), the Student will call and discuss individual patient care with applicable residents or extenders on the urology service. They are to assist with rounds which often precede the morning operative or clinic schedules and may require an earlier arrival time.
 - c. **NOTE:** On Wednesdays the PGY1 should start early in order to complete ALL tasks BEFORE THE WEDNESDAY AM CONFERENCE. Morning conference will not be an accepted excuse for failure to complete morning “rounds” and patient notes. Inpatient and ER consultation calls WILL NOT be the responsibility of the PGY1 during conference hours.
 - d. Physician Extenders (Physician Assistants and Nurse Practitioners) work on the urology service. The student will communicate often with the extenders/attendings in regard to specific patient care. The attending urologist will assign all tasks in regard to patient care.
 - e. The PGY1 and extender will be encouraged by each attending physician to work together as a team and divide tasks appropriately in order to better complete the day’s work.

2. The student is expected to experience and participate in the full spectrum of perioperative patient care. The priorities of assignment after completion of morning “rounds” are as follows in order of importance.
 - i. **Open Surgical Procedures.** Specifically the student is expected to first assist (when possible) the attending urologist in major pelvic and abdominal procedures. Additionally, he/she is expected to participate in all minor scrotal, penile, and perineal cases. Endoscopic case involvement will be determined on a case by case basis with the attending urologist determining the educational value.
 - ii. **Urology clinic patient evaluation and treatment.** If the attending Urologist determines a specific operative case to be of low educational value or, **if there are no scheduled surgeries**; the student is expected to report to the clinic, find the attending urologist seeing patients and request assignment. The attending urologist will either assign the student to participate in the day’s clinic or to duties listed in priority iii below.
 - iii. **Urology inpatient and emergency room consultations.** Specifically the student is expected to evaluate emergency and inpatient consultations, form a diagnosis and initial plan, and discuss each with the attending urologist or resident on call.

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENT TABLE

Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ First priority will be assignment with Dr. Bandyk in Faculty Clinic✓ Second priority will be re-assignment to OR cases when applicable
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ First priority will be assignment to operating room✓ There are two active OR blocks on each Tuesday, discuss case mix with attending and scrub in to selected cases
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Urology lectures beginning at 0715 in Urology conference room.✓ Assigned to office patient care in Faculty Clinic
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ First priority will be assignment to operating room with Dr. Ganapathi✓ Second priority will be re-assignment to Dr. Balaji's Cancer Clinic at the North Campus
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ First priority will be assignment to operating room when applicable.✓ Second priority will be re-assignment to cover Inpatient/ER consultation and assist with Urology Inpatient problems that may occur during the day.

PATIENT FOLLOW UP INFORMATION:

ER, Ward, Surgical scheduling follow up will be communicated to the Department of Urology via our surgical coordinator, Jerline Jones. Staff message via EPIC is the method that will be used to accomplish this communication. When directed to arrange follow up, scheduling, by the attending Urologist you should send a message to Jerline Jones with the type of appointment or procedure the pt needs and the time (i.e. 2 week follow up, cystoscopy in 6 weeks...) as well as which Urologist is responsible for the patient's care.