ROTATION: SURGICAL ENDOSCOPY

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SITE: West LA Veteran Administration Hospital

GOALS: To provide trainees an opportunity to participate in the perioperative and operative aspects of surgical endoscopy.

LEVEL OF TRAINEE: R4

ASSESSMENT:

Monitoring of the accomplishment of the stated objectives will be performed using the following methods:

1. Global Rating: end of rotation evaluation of resident performance to assess the resident’s demonstration of Core Competencies with respect to the stated objectives by faculty, other team resident members, students, and nursing staff.

2. Case Logs: auditing of operative cases pertinent to the specialty in the Surgical Operative Log.

3. Written Examination: performance on the annual ABSITE examination.

DESCRIPTION OF THE ROTATION:

The resident spends a one-month rotation working in surgical endoscopy suite and procedure rooms with members of the full-time gastroenterology faculty at West LA Veterans Administration Hospital.

COMPETENCY BASED LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Medical Knowledge:

1. Knows indications and contraindications for common GI procedures such as upper and lower endoscopy

2. Knows utility of procedure for a given condition

3. Considers potential findings before starting procedure

4. Uses experts for complex cases
Patient Care:

1. Explains risks and benefits of procedure to patient/family
2. Ensures understanding by patient/family
3. Reviews potential diagnostic findings before procedure
4. Informs patients/families about procedure findings
5. Provides timely follow up of pathology results to patients/families
6. Ensures appropriate follow up after procedure

PRACTICE BASED LEARNING:

1. Utilize current literature resources to obtain up-to-date information in the indications and techniques of gastrointestinal endoscopy and practice evidence-based medicine.
2. Participate in GI teaching and management conferences.

Professionalism:

1. Practice compassionate patient care maintaining the highest moral and ethical values with a professional attitude.
2. Demonstrate understanding of the needs and feelings of others, including the patient's family members, allied health care personnel (nurses, clerical staff, etc.), fellow residents, and medical students.
3. Communicate and collaborate effectively in a team of health care providers
4. Demonstrate respect, compassion and integrity in the care of patients on a daily basis
5. Demonstrate mature and educated approach to ethical issues commonly encountered in a gastroenterology setting.
6. Show sensitivity to patient’s culture, age, gender and disabilities
7. Be self-aware and have knowledge of professional limits by practicing on-going medical education and self-improvement.
8. Be accountable to profession in their actions and decisions
9. Shows up on time in procedure unit
Interpersonal Relationships And Communication:

1. Create and sustain a therapeutic and ethically sound relationship with patients and patient families
2. Work effectively with other members of the medical team including allied health care personnel (nurses, clerical staff, etc.), fellow residents, and medical students.
3. Maintain professional interactions with other health care providers and hospital staff

Systems Based Practice:

1. Understand how the managed health care organization affects gastroenterology especially within the confines of the VA health system.
2. Demonstrate cost effective health care
3. Follow established practices, procedures, and policies of the Department of Surgery and integrated and affiliated hospitals.
5. Maintain complete of medical records operative notes staff sheets and notes, patient database cards and other patient care related documentation in a timely, accurate and succinct manner.
6. Appropriately refers patients for needed diagnostic studies/therapy
7. Advocates improvements in procedure unit to benefit for patients