Session 15

Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE)

Statement of Goals/Learning Objectives

Understand how to perform a focused medical interview, physical examination and encounter documentation in the ambulatory setting.

Demonstrate and document a focused medical interview and physical examination in the ambulatory setting.

What:
Interviewing, physical exam, assessment, and documentation skills will be assessed in this clinical skills evaluation. Expect to perform a focused medical interview and physical examination, based on the chief complaint in an ambulatory setting. The “patient” will be a teaching associate from EVMS who is trained to be a patient and to provide feedback and evaluation. You will write a focused note including the history, physical exam, problem list and differential diagnoses assessment. **You are not required to write a management or treatment plan.** Review example "The focused adult evaluation/encounter note" in Medical Documentation, syllabus.
You will have one-half hour per encounter, including 5 minutes for feedback. Each student will complete two cases. You may take up to 25 minutes with the Teaching Associate to:
1) establish a chief complaint,
2) take a focused HPI; include pertinent ROS, and findings from the social, family, past medical histories,
3) do a focused physical examination relevant to the chief complaint,
4) discuss briefly your diagnostic impressions with the patient, and bring the encounter to closure.
After the second case, you have approximately 30 minutes to document the second encounter.

NOTE: If you think a certain examination is warranted based on the history you have obtained, then do the most complete examination for that particular exam that you know how to do. For example, if you think an abdominal exam is appropriate then do the most complete abdominal examination that you can do (i.e., complete all items on the abdominal checklist.)

When and Where:
You will be assigned a specific time for the OSCE which will be posted on SRS System and on the white board in Egyptian Building. The OSCE is held in the Egyptian Building. Meet outside the Baruch Auditorium (1st floor of the Egyptian Building) **at least 20 minutes** prior to your scheduled time.
Special Notes:
Dress professionally.
Bring writing instruments, your stethoscope, and a watch with a second hand. All other diagnostic equipment will be provided.

**Book bags, books, paper, memory aids/cards/notes etc. will not be permitted.**
FCM will provide clipboards & paper for notes and the documentation.

**How to Prepare for the OSCE:**

Review the Chief Complaints given in session 14 "Case-based Review". Practice doing an H&P for each Chief Complaint and practice hand writing an encounter note.

Special Notes:

The OSCE is worth 20 points or 20% of your total FCM M2 grade. Each patient encounter is worth 9 points and the encounter note is worth 2 points. Regarding the OSCE, the student must receive a combined passing score of at least 70% to pass the OSCE. If the overall combined score is less than 70% the student must remediate. If a student receives below a 70% on 1 patient but their combined average is above 70%, it will be up to the FCM team to decide if the student will be asked to remediate. If a student receives a score of below 70% on a section of the OSCE, remediation is at the discretion of the FCM team. Any remediation must be repeated until a passing grade is achieved.

Any student who does not "Dress Professionally" when required will have 1 point deducted from their grade.