A required six-week clinical clerkship in Pediatrics is offered in the Departments of Pediatrics at multiple sites: Mattel Children's Hospital, in combination with Olive View-UCLA Medical Center and Santa Monica UCLA Medical Center, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, and Kaiser Permanente Sunset Medical Center. Students spend the majority of their time based at their assigned site. Although the teaching programs vary somewhat, comparable material in pediatrics is presented at each of the institutions. Students spend time in both inpatient and outpatient settings as defined in the table below.

Clerkship Objectives - Upon completion of the clerkship, you should be able to:

1) Obtain pertinent historical data from a parent and/or child interview enabling you to develop the historical basis for a comprehensive evaluation of clinical problems.
2) Skillfully perform a physical examination on any age child, including an assessment of physical growth and psychomotor development, while mastering the skills to clearly and concisely record your findings.
3) Critically evaluate and integrate data in seeking solutions to clinical problems (i.e., synthesizing and analyzing the information gathered to develop an approach to the differential diagnosis, and the subsequent formulation of evaluation and management plans.)
4) Acquire a core fund of knowledge in general pediatrics that may be applied to the evaluation and management of children in both inpatient and outpatient settings.
5) Strengthen both your written and verbal communication skills in multiple settings.
6) Address the care of each child with an understanding of health care systems and the resources available to the patient.
7) Better appreciate the impact of psychosocial factors and stresses (for example, family and domestic violence) on the well-being and subsequent evaluation and management of children.

For all patients encountered in the clinic and on the ward, students are expected to take a thorough history, perform a thorough physical exam, assess development if indicated, formulate a differential diagnosis by synthesis and analysis of the information obtained, and develop diagnostic and management plans. Students will also be introduced to evidence-based pediatric medicine and evaluation of the child as a part of the whole health care system. Attention will be primarily given to illness and disease processes in children, but strategies for prevention and health promotion will also be reviewed. Students are encouraged to be actively involved in the ongoing care and follow-up of their patients.

Teaching, supervision, and evaluation of students are primarily the responsibility of the faculty. Pediatric residents will also play an important role in teaching. Students are evaluated on their performance in the ambulatory setting, on the ward, in the nursery, and on the final written examination. The examination given on the last day of the clerkship is the NBME Shelf Exam. A more detailed description of the exam and information about who will be participating in the evaluation of students’ clinical performance will be provided in the clerkship orientation.

ORIENTATION

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## Breakdown of Pediatric Rotations at the UCLA Hospitals

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<th>Site</th>
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The Pediatric Clerkship is a 6-week experience in inpatient, outpatient and newborn nursery settings. The options include the following:

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The different sites have similar allocations of time in each of the three areas (inpatient pediatrics, newborn nursery, and ambulatory pediatrics).

Students assigned to Cedars-Sinai and UCLA/OV/SM sites during the overlap of block 1 will have two weeks of inpatient pediatrics and a variety of outpatient assignments, including some pediatric subspecialty clinics that may differ from what is listed below. Some students may also be assigned during this time to the newborn nursery at Miller Children’s Hospital.
Features of each site include the following:

**UCLA-Santa Monica-OVMC**
Students at this site will spend 2 weeks at Santa Monica UCLA Hospital for inpatient pediatrics, 3 weeks of Ambulatory Pediatrics, which can be at a variety of community sites (i.e. Primary Care Clinic “PCC” at UCLA, Venice Family Clinics, and the Olive View urgent care/ER), and 1 week of Newborn Nursery at either Cedars-Sinai or Kaiser Sunset.

**Cedars-Sinai Medical Center**
Students at this site will spend 3 weeks on the inpatient pediatric service, 1 week in the Newborn Nursery and 2 weeks of ambulatory pediatrics (one week at the PCC at UCLA and one week at the Brentwood UCLA Med-Peds practice).

**Harbor-UCLA**
Students at this site will spend 3 weeks on the inpatient service and the remainder of the time will be divided between the newborn nursery and the outpatient general pediatrics and subspecialty clinics.

**Olive View-UCLA Medical Center**
Students at this site will spend 3 weeks on the inpatient service and 3 weeks on the nursery service. Inpatient and nursery activities take place in the mornings. In the afternoons, students are assigned to a mix of primary care, urgent care, and pediatric specialty clinics, all located at Olive View-UCLA.

**Kaiser Los Angeles Medical Center**
Students at this site will spend 3 weeks on the inpatient service, 1 week in the Newborn Nursery, and 2 weeks in an ambulatory clinic.

**Kaiser Los Angeles Medical Center with additional community experience (1 slot per 6-week cohort, reserved for Drew students)**
Students at this site will spend 2 weeks on the inpatient service, one week in the Newborn Nursery, and 3 weeks in an ambulatory clinic.

**All sites:**
There is no overnight call during the pediatric clerkship, but all sites have students stay on call until 10 PM during their inpatient ward rotation and during their Newborn Nursery experience.

Didactics are offered for all sites. Students assigned to UCLA, Cedars-Sinai, and Kaiser come together every Monday afternoon for a ½ day of didactics (lectures, small group teaching session etc.). Students assigned to Harbor will have their own didactic curriculum that takes place during the noon hour generally three times a week. Students assigned to Olive View UCLA will have their own didactic curriculum most Friday mornings.

**Students will have supervision and teaching by pediatric residents (Kaiser and Harbor have independent pediatric residency programs and UCLA pediatric residents rotate at Reagan, Olive View, Cedars-Sinai and Santa Monica).**