

OB GYN CLERKSHIP LEARNING OBJECTIVES AND IMPORTANT CONDITIONS

Clerkship Objectives

The objective of the clerkship is to acquaint the student with the varied aspects of the medical care for women, with emphasis on acquiring the basic skills of gynecologic and obstetrical history taking and physical examination, participating and assuming responsibility in the evaluation and care of outpatients and inpatients, and acquiring practical experience in the operating and delivery room areas with close supervision by the staff.

The 17 educational objectives are:

1. Develop competence in the medical interview and physical examination of women and incorporate ethical, social, and diversity perspectives to provide culturally competent health care.
2. Apply recommended prevention strategies to women throughout the life-span.
3. Recognize his/her role as a leader and advocate for women.
4. Demonstrate knowledge of preconception care including the impact of genetics, medical conditions and environmental factors on maternal health and fetal development.
5. Explain the normal physiologic changes of pregnancy including interpretation of common diagnostic studies.
6. Describe common problems in obstetrics.
7. Demonstrate knowledge of intrapartum care.
8. Demonstrate knowledge of postpartum care of the mother and newborn.
9. Describe menstrual cycle physiology, discuss puberty and menopause and explain normal and abnormal bleeding.
10. Describe the etiology and evaluation of infertility.
11. Develop a thorough understanding of contraception, including sterilization and abortion.
12. Demonstrate knowledge of common benign gynecological conditions.
13. Formulate a differential diagnosis of the acute abdomen and chronic pelvic pain.
14. Describe common breast conditions and outline the evaluation of breast complaints.
15. Demonstrate knowledge of perioperative care and familiarity with gynecologic procedures.
16. Describe gynecological malignancies including risk factors, signs and symptoms and initial evaluation.
17. Provide a preliminary assessment of patients with sexual concerns.

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS

OB Diagnoses

Diabetes Mellitus	Labor – normal
Fetal heart rate abnormalities	Labor – preterm
Hypertensive disorder	Postpartum care
Infection	Prenatal care
Labor – abnormal	

OB Procedure

Cervical exam in labor	Vaginal Delivery
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Gyn Diagnoses

Abnormal pap	Infertility
Abnormal vaginal bleeding	Menopause/Osteoporosis
Carcinoma	Pain-Pelvic/abdomen
Contraception	Pelvic Mass
Incontinence	STIs/Vaginitis

Gyn Procedure

Breast exam	Wet mount
Pap smear	