

Elective Description

Campus: Southeast (Fargo)

Elective/Experience Title: Urology

Department: Surgery

Course Number: SURG 9204

Location of Elective: Sanford Health System - Fargo, ND

Preceptor(s): Thomas Noah, MD; Eric Schommer, MD; Ali Mahmoud, MD

Period(s) Offered: All periods Course Prerequisites: Completion of Surgery Clerkship

Number of students per period: 1 student Revised Curriculum Phase(s): 2 & 3

Purpose: To provide education and experience in the care of patients requiring urology services.

Objectives: Following successful completion of this elective, the <u>student</u> will be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate knowledge of the anatomy and embryology of the urinary tract.
- 2. Obtain a pertinent history and physical regarding the urinary system.
- 3. Discuss basic diagnostic procedures and the appropriate indications for these procedures.
- 4. Discuss the evaluation and treatment of common female uro-gynecologic problems and male urological problems.
- 5. Discuss urology instruments utilized in the operating room.

Instructional Activities: During this elective, the student will be involved in/experience:

- 1. Reading assignments and discussions with preceptor on a variety of diseases encountered in urology care.
- 2. Participating in the care of patients requiring urology services, and assisting the preceptor on hospital rounds.
- 3. Observing and participating in diagnostic procedures, interpreting radiologic films, and examining pathologic slides with the preceptor.
- 4. Assisting the preceptor in the operating room commensurate with experience.

<u>Criteria for Grading</u>: During and following this elective, the <u>preceptor</u> will:

- 1. Evaluate the student's history and physical examination skills for accuracy and thoroughness.
- 2. Evaluate by direct observation the student's knowledge and the quality of his/her clinical reasoning and judgment in providing patient care.
- 3. Evaluate student's professionalism and quality of completed assignments.
- 4. Utilize the standardized UNDSMHS senior elective evaluation form.

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