Elective Description

Campus: Southwest (Bismarck)  
Elective/Experience Title: Dermatology  
Department: Internal Medicine  
Location of Elective: Center for Family Medicine - Bismarck, ND  
Course Number: IMED 9123-02

Preceptor(s): Joseph A Luger, MD  
Period(s) Offered: all  
Number of students per period: 1  
Course prerequisites:  
Revised Curriculum Phase(s): 2 & 3

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

Objectives: Following successful completion of this elective, the student will be able to:

1. Describe the normal structure and function of the skin.
2. Recognize the common dermatoses and identify the procedures used to diagnose these disorders.
3. Use the appropriate nomenclature for the description of skin lesions.

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

1. Attendance at dermatology clinics.
2. Required review of dermatology slides and text materials.
3. Presentation of dermatology patients, formulation of a differential diagnosis, and development of a treatment plan for selected dermatology patients.
4. Participation in dermatology procedures as permitted by the preceptor.

Criteria for Grading: During and following this elective, the preceptor will:

5. Utilize the standardized UNDSMHS senior elective evaluation form.
6. Directly observe and evaluate the student’s ability to diagnose common skin conditions.
7. Directly observe and evaluate the student’s ability to apply the appropriate nomenclature to skin lesions.
8. Evaluate the student’s written communication of histories and physicals, progress notes, and consultations.
9. Evaluate the student’s skill in performing any permitted clinical procedures.
10. Evaluate the student’s skill in "360" communication skills.
11. Evaluate the student’s ability to objectively integrate clinical, basic science, and primary medicine knowledge for dermatologic disorders.

Reviewed: January 2017