

Elective Description

Campus: Southeast (Fargo)

Elective/Experience Title: Infectious Diseases

Location of Elective: Sanford Health System & Veterans Affairs Healthcare System – Fargo, ND*

Department: Internal Medicine

Course Number: IMED 9207

Preceptor(s): -Timothy Bischoff
-Abiola Fashanu, MD
- Avish Nagpal, MD

- Paul Carson, MD
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Period(s) Offered: All except June thru August

Number of students per period: 2 when accompanied by an Internal Medicine Resident

Course prerequisites:

Revised Curriculum Phase(s): 2 & 3

Purpose: To improve the medical knowledge and clinical skills in the care of patients with infectious diseases.

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

1. Describe the diagnostic approach in the discipline of infectious diseases.
2. Evaluate and plan therapy for inpatients with infectious disease problems.
3. Describe clinical, diagnostic & microbiology laboratory methodology.
4. Correlate clinical findings with laboratory results.
5. Describe the infectious disease physician's relationship to the broader spectrum of clinical problems encountered in internal medicine.

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

1. Rounds on infectious disease consultations at Sanford Hospital-Fargo.
2. Limited outpatient consultations at Sanford Health and VA-Fargo.
3. Reviewing microbiology laboratory results and correlate with patient clinical findings with infectious diseases attending.
4. Attend and participate in internal medicine case conferences and grand rounds.

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

1. Utilize the standardized UNDSMHS senior elective evaluation form. Students must receive a satisfactory above rating on four of five of the clinical competency categories and must receive a satisfactory or above rating on overall clinical competence to obtain credit for the elective.
2. Evaluate by direct observation the students data-gathering, communication, problem solving, interpretive and patient management skills.
3. Evaluate by direct observation the student's ability to perform satisfactory histories and physicals, and to write complete consultation notes and progress notes.

**This elective may entail going to both sites listed during your rotation*

4. Evaluate by direct observation the student's ability to demonstrate 1. Professionalism in all patient interactions, 2. Psychosocial integration as it pertains to patient care, and 3. Communication with all members of the healthcare team.