Elective Description

Campus: Northeast (Grand Forks)  
Elective/Experience Title: Dermatology  
Location of Elective: Altru/Truyu Aesthetic Center – Grand Forks, ND (3165 Demers Ave)

Preceptor(s): Saba Zabetian, MD  
Period(s) Offered: all  
Number of students per period: 1

Purpose: To expose the senior medical student to a variety of dermatologic conditions with the goal of developing and improving skills in diagnosing, treating and following these conditions in the outpatient setting.

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

1. List the primary and secondary lesions of the skin.
2. Recognize the 50 most common dermatology diseases.
3. Demonstrates understanding of the etiology and pathogenesis of the most common dermatology diseases.
4. Demonstrate the art of establishing good physician/patient relationships.
5. Perform common lab procedures; i.e. KOH and scabies preps, fungal cultures, woods light examination.

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

1. The outpatient clinical dermatology practice.
2. Surgery techniques/procedures.
3. Reading about cases seen in the clinic.
4. Slide review with staff and pathology lecture.
5. Taking a dermatological history and examination of patients.
6. Performing basic dermatological techniques.
7. Observing and participating in interesting cases with other providers in the department as they present.

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

1. Utilize the standardized UNDSMHS senior elective evaluation form.
2. Judge by direct observation the student’s ability to do a dermatological history and physical exam.
3. Judge by direct observation the student’s ability to perform dermatological procedures.
4. Judge by direct observation the student’s ability to work as a member of an integrated health team.

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