

## Acting Internship Description

**Campus:** All (SE Campus - Fargo)

**Department:** Pediatrics

**Acting Internship Title:** Pediatrics Acting Internship

**Course Number:** PED 9591

**Location of Acting Internship:** Sanford Children's Hospital Fargo, ND

**Preceptor(s):** Jacob Fish, MD; Dane Hammer, MD; Frederick Kieley, MD; Rebecca Schreier, DO; Erica Sauer, MD; Sadie Skarloken, MD; Teresa Frey, DO; Christopher Tionson, MD

**Period(s) offered:** all

**Number of students per period:** 1

**Purpose:** To provide an acting internship experience for 4<sup>th</sup> year students planning on matching in Pediatrics

**Objectives: After completing the acting internship, the student will be able to**

1. Obtain a history and perform a physical exam  
EPA #1, Year4LO #1
2. Present the history and physical in a concise, well-organized format  
EPA #6, Year4LO #2
3. Form and prioritize a differential diagnosis. Select a working diagnosis.  
EPA #2, Year4LO #3
4. Discuss orders and prescriptions and construct evidence based management plans.  
EPA #4, Year4LO #14
5. Select screening and diagnostic studies and labs and interpret the results of these tests.  
EPA #3, Year4LO#4, 14
6. Recognize patients who are critically ill or require emergent care and initiate the appropriate initial steps in that care. Reassess patients on an ongoing basis and adjust plan of care as appropriate.  
EPA #10, Year4LO #10
7. Document the clinical encounter in a timely fashion  
EPA #5, Year4LO #2
8. Communicate effectively with patients and their families regarding diagnoses and plans of care with respect for cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds.  
Year4LO # 6
9. Work effectively as a member of the interprofessional healthcare team including giving and accepting patient handoffs at transitions of care.  
EPA #8, EPA #9, Year4LO #7, #8
10. Research a clinical question relating to patient care with appropriate evaluation of resources and use of evidence-based information.  
EPA #7, Year4LO #13
11. Formulate or update an accurate problem list for patients under his or her care.  
EPA # 5 – Year 4 LO #5

**Specialty Specific Objectives:** (These should be linked to EPAs and Year 4 learning objectives which can be found at <https://med.und.edu/education-resources/fourth-year.html#Yr4O> under “Overview & Objectives”)

Please include any procedures the student will be expected to perform

12. Prioritize and organize daily patient care management work effectively.
13. Articulate uncertainty in patient management and know how and when to seek appropriate help.  
Year4LO #11
14. Coordinate the care of the patient at discharge.  
EPA #8, #9
15. Form management plans for common and essential pediatric conditions, and interpret diagnostic and screening tests as listed on the AI student checklist (see below)  
EPA #3, Year4LO #4
16. Describe the common pediatric procedures as listed on the AI student checklist (see below).  
EPA #12

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

1. The student will assume primary responsibility of his or her assigned patients under the supervision of an upper level resident or attending.
2. Admitting, caring for, and discharging hospitalized patients at Sanford Children’s Hospital under the supervision of the attending or hospitalist.
3. Performing the duties as one would in the role of a resident caring for hospitalized children.
4. Learning about the common and essential pediatric topics the Pediatric AI checklist and COMSEP sub-internship curriculum ([www.comsep.org](http://www.comsep.org)) as a guide.
5. Rounding daily with the pediatric hospitalist attending
6. Signing off assigned patients to the on-call pediatrician
7. On call for new admissions and patient management questions with the attending pediatrician 1:4 nights
8. Writing admission H&Ps, daily progress notes, and discharge summaries on assigned patients.
9. Discussing and planning orders and management with the attending.
10. Performing common inpatient procedures under the direct supervision of the preceptor. Such procedures may include IV starts, lumbar punctures, dressing changes, gastrostomy tube replacement, and urinary catheter placement.
11. Communicating daily with patient, family, medical care team including nursing, and consulting services.
12. Interpreting laboratory data and imaging studies.
13. Present at Sanford Pediatric Grand Rounds.

**Evaluation Methods:** The preceptor will:

1. By direct observation evaluate the student’s ability to perform a complete history and physical pertinent to the AI specialty and present his or her findings. (objective #1,2)
2. By direct observation or review of written work evaluate the student’s ability to form a complete differential diagnosis and select a working diagnosis. (objective #3)
3. By direct observation or verbal discussion evaluate the student’s formulation of patient management plans including those for patients requiring emergent management. (objective #4, 6)
4. By direct observation, verbal discussion or review of written work, evaluate the student’s selection and interpretation of screening and diagnostic laboratory tests. (objective #5)
5. By direct observation evaluate the student’s documentation of clinical encounters. (objective #7,11)
6. By direct observation and via feedback from the healthcare team, patients, and families, evaluate the student’s communication skills including patient handoffs. (objective #8,9)
7. By review of written or verbal presentation made by the student evaluate the student’s use of evidence-based information to research a patient care question. (objective #10)

**Include below the evaluation methods to be used for the specialty specific objectives. Link the evaluation method to the objective #.**

**Assessment:**

Evaluation methods #1-7 will be assessed using the Entrustability scale.

Level	Descriptor	Example
1	“I had to do”	Requires complete hands on guidance, did not do, or was not given the opportunity to do
2	“I had to talk them through”	Able to perform tasks but requires constant direction
3	“I had to prompt them from time to time”	Demonstrates some independence, but requires intermittent direction
4	“I need to be there in the room just in case”	Independence but unaware of risks and still requires supervision for safe practice
5	“I would not have needed to be there other than to fulfill regulatory requirements”	Complete independence, understand risks and performs safely, practice ready

*\*This scale was adapted from the Ottawa surgical competency operating room evaluation (O-SCORE): A tool to assess surgical competence. Acad Med. 2012; 87:1401-407.*

**Please indicate below the method of assessment for the specialty specific evaluation methods.**

8. The pediatric hospitalist attending physicians will assess by direct observation the student’s ability to achieve specialty objectives 11 and 12 using a Likert scale)
9. The pediatric hospitalist attending physicians will assess by direct observation the student’s ability to achieve specialty objective13 using the entrustability scale.
10. The pediatric hospitalist attending physicians will assess by direct observation the student’s ability to achieve specialty objectives 14 and 15 by reviewing the Pediatric AI checklist.

**Please indicate who will be completing the assessment.** If more than one preceptor, how will scores be compiled?

Each preceptor who works with the AI student will complete an evaluation. The Department Chair (or designee) will compile and the evaluations from the preceptors, solicit input from the Children's Hospital staff, and submit the final assessment.

### **Grading Criteria:**

#### **To receive honors, the student must:**

- Complete all items on the AI checklist
- Achieve an average Ottawa score of at least 4.0
- Have no Ottawa ratings of 2 or lower
- Achieve a rating of at least 3 on the Likert scale items

#### **To pass the AI, the student must:**

- Complete 90% of the items on the AI checklist
- Achieve an average rating of at least 3.25 on the Ottawa scale
- Have no Ottawa ratings of 2 or lower
- Achieve a rating of at least 3 on the Likert scale items

**If a student fails an AI,** the AI director and campus dean will work with the student to form a written remediation plan (signed by all 3) that specifically addresses the competencies that the student did not meet during the rotation including any missing checklist items. A copy of this plan will be sent to the Office of Student Affairs. In order to pass the AI, the student will be required to meet the original passing requirements and complete a minimum 7 days further of the rotation. A student may not receive honors on an AI that was initially failed.

**Appendix:  
Peds AI checklist**

**Peds AI Student Checklist**

Document method of learning, date and initials of teacher	Method	Date	Instructor
1. Procedures (observed, simulation or patient participation)			
a. IV and IO access			
b. Arterial and venous punctures			
c. NG placement			
d. Foley cath			
e. LP			
f. Neb administration			
g. ET intubation			
h. Hemorrhage management			
2. Interpretation (preceptor verification or MCQ)			
a. Vital signs			
b. BUN, creat, lytes			
c. CBC			
d. Bilirubin			
e. CSF			
f. CXR			
g. EKG			
3. Recognition and management (patient management, article reading or on-line)			
a. Shock			
b. Altered mental status and GCS calculation			
c. Tension Pneumothorax			
d. CHF			
e. Respiratory distress (DOPE mnemonic)			
f. Sepsis/meningitis			
g. Hypoglycemia			
h. Change in clinical status			
i. Child abuse			
4. How To's (patient management or demonstration)			
a. Admission and discharge criteria			
b. Admission and discharge orders			
c. TPN orders			

d. Patient handoffs (scripts)			
e. Consultation requests			
f. Problem oriented patient management			
g. Meaningful daily progress notes			
h. Child abuse reporting			
i. Patient and family education			
j. Seeking interpreters			
k. Delivering bad news			
l. Medication reconciliation			
m. Med dose calculations			
<i>(Continued)</i>	Method	Date	Instructor
Document method of learning, date and initials of teacher			
n. Ask and research question (PICO method)			
o. Obtain informed consent			
p. Pain management in children			
5. Educational Presentation			
a. Case or topic presentation at Sanford Pediatric Grand Rounds			

The AI student checklist is reviewed weekly with the AI director and the student to ensure all activities are completed prior to end of AI. Online resources, simulation and reading materials may be used in accomplishment of activity when patient care experience not available.