

OVERVIEW OF THE ROTATION:

The PM&R elective is a 2 or 4 week rotation which gives you clinical exposure to the Rehabilitation patient in the in-patient setting and in the out-patient clinic. It is a platform to gain clinical experience.

Pre-requisites for this rotation are successful completion of the MS-1 and MS-2 years of training.

The PM&R Elective is held at three locations and you will be assigned to one of them:

- University of Utah Hospitals
- University of Utah Orthopaedic Center
- Veterans Administration Hospital

GOALS & OBJECTIVES:

KNOWLEDGE:

- Acquire a basic knowledge of common rehabilitation conditions listed through readings and clinical experiences in the inpatient and outpatient environments.
- Discuss functional implications of illnesses and injuries within medicine.
- Recognize treatment of disability.
- Formulate a thorough differential diagnosis for conditions in both inpatient and outpatient settings.
- Select appropriate initial diagnostic testing to further define a differential diagnosis.
- Identify common first-line treatments for disabilities.
- Understand the clinical features and management of common conditions.

SKILLS:

- Elicit a history from a patient and family with focus on functional issues.
- Perform a thorough, accurate examination of adults specific to their rehabilitation issues.
- Demonstrate effective communication with the interdisciplinary team.
- Document patient's plan and goals properly in daily notes.

ATTITUDE:

- Display empathy and compassion when dealing with all patients.
- Understand cultural influences of disability.
- Respect for all members of the rehabilitation team.

EVALUATIONS:

Your grasp of clinical rehabilitation will be assessed in several different manners across the clinical competencies. Some evaluation instruments will contribute to your grade, and others are non-graded requisites.

The evaluation instruments that factor into your grade include:

1. PM&R Examination Skills
2. Oral Presentations
3. Resident evaluations
4. Attending Evaluation

The non-grade requisites needed to complete the PM&R Elective include

1. Exit Interview
2. School of Medicine Clerkship Electronic Evaluation

ROTATION SCHEDULE:

Medical Student Coordinator will provide a calendar schedule for each week of your rotation with us. Coordinator will email this schedule the week before your start date.

ROTATION OBJECTIVES:

Please review the Rotation Checklists located on the Canvas site.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE:

All students are expected to attend resident didactics lectures Thursday morning from 8:00am to 12:00pm. This is held at the Health Science Educational Building. The medical student calendar will have the room number.

ABSCENCES:

It is the medical student's responsibility to contact the medical student coordinator and resident on rotation as soon as s/he becomes aware of the conflict.

ISSUES:

If issues arise during your elective you should discuss the issues with your resident; if not successful discuss with your attending. The medical student director, Bradeigh Godfrey, D.O., can be contacted if the issue remains unresolved.

DISABILITY STATEMENT:

The University of Utah seeks to provide equal access to its programs, services and activities for people with disabilities. If you will need accommodations in the class, reasonable prior notice needs to be given to the Center for Disability Services (CDS), 162 Olpin Union Building, 581-5020 (V/TDD). CDS will work with you and the instructor to make arrangements for accommodations. All written information in this course can be made available in alternative format with prior notification to the Center for Disability Services.

Medical students with a documented disability and students seeking to establish the existence of a disability and to request accommodation are required to meet with the CDS Director. The CDS will work closely with eligible students and the Office of Professionalism, Evaluation & Learning to make arrangements for approved accommodations. The School of Medicine and CDS maintain a collegial, cooperative, and collaborative relationship to ensure compliance with federal and state regulations for students with disabilities.

The SOM Director of Learning Resources, Steve Baumann (1C103 SOM Dean's Office, 587-3671, or steven.baumann@hsc.utah.edu), serves as the liaison between the School of Medicine and the Center for Disability Services.