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ROTATION SCHEDULING & QUESTIONS

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DID YOU KNOW?

UPMC HAMOT IS CERTIFIED
AS A **COMPREHENSIVE
STROKE CENTER** BY DNV GL
HEALTHCARE.

OUR STROKE TEAM IS ON-
SITE 24/7!

NEUROLOGY

CLINICAL ROTATION INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

Students work closely with a team of residents and attending physicians Monday through Friday over a four-week period. Students receive hands-on clinical experience with care of patients with neurological problems. Students assist with obtaining H&Ps and performing neurological examinations, writing notes, interpreting radiologic studies, discussing findings, forming differential diagnoses and treatment plans, and discussing care options with the attending physicians and residents.

Students are expected to attend daily conference with the neurology residents. During the rotation, each student prepares and gives a 10–15-minute lecture during resident conference. Students are given a reading schedule and access to the literature. While there is no end-of-rotation test, students are strongly encouraged to complete the suggested nightly reading topics.

GOALS & OBJECTIVES

BY THE END OF THE ROTATION, THE STUDENT WILL:

- Participate in management of patients with neurologic disease
- Gain proficiency with obtaining a neurologic history and performing neurologic examination
- Identify neurology manifestations of systemic disease
- Recognize neurologic findings on radiologic tests
- Begin to understand the application and relevance of investigative procedures in the diagnosis of neurologic disease, such as electroencephalogram, electromyography, and psychometry
- Assist attending physicians and residents with procedures such as lumbar punctures

STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

“All of the staff was phenomenal! I can tell they enjoy their jobs and liked teaching us what they know. They met us where we were with knowledge and built from there.”

“The best part of this rotation was the amount of responsibility given to the students and how valued we are as part of the team.”

“Their excitement for the field is contagious. I went into the rotation not knowing what specialty I want to pursue, and now I am seriously considering neuro.”

EVALUATION PROCESS

An evaluation is completed by an attending at the end of the rotation. This evaluation is derived from direct observation and feedback provided by clinical staff who had direct interaction with the student.

FACULTY

TREVOR PHINNEY, DO

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OTHER INFORMATION

Clerkship Course Director: Trevor Phinney, DO and Daniel Kinem, DO

Clinical Year: Third or fourth year

Duration: Four weeks (preferred), two weeks