General Information

COURSE CHAIR: Timothy Daskivich, MD
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STUDENTS / PERIOD: max 2 min 1
DURATION: 4 weeks

Electives at Cedars-Sinai start in May. Please visit our VSLO catalog for dates and to submit your application.

Requirement(s)

1. USMLE Step 1 Score
2. One Letter of Recommendation

Description

This sub-internship is designed to provide the student with in-depth knowledge of urology and its subspecialties. The student is expected to function at the level of an Intern. Students will be exposed to the continuum of care of the urology patient, from initial evaluation, through surgical intervention and follow-up. Management of acute and chronic urologic conditions will be covered, and the student will observe and participate in complex urologic surgical procedures. Subspecialties of pediatric urology, female urology, infertility, robotic surgery, and living donor nephrectomy will also be covered. Students will participate in initial history and physical work-up, will accompany faculty and fellows to operating room, and will have didactic lectures from full-time faculty. Students will participate in Urology Clinical Case Conference and will give a presentation at Urology Grand Rounds.

Course Objectives

1. Understanding the urinary system, its anatomy, and its role in disease processes and health maintenance.
2. How to conduct a proper History & Physical examination of the urology patient.
3. Interpretation of radiologic evaluations and other urologic tests (CT, CTI, Ultrasound, PVR, etc.).
4. Improving the doctor-patient relationship, developing a professional bedside manner.
5. Diagnosis and management of complex inpatient conditions, e.g., urosepsis.
7. Oral presentation at Urology Grand Rounds
8. Identify and manage complex co-morbidities impacting urologic care.

Student Experiences

COMMON PROBLEMS/DISEASES

- Cancer of the bladder, kidneys, prostate, adrenals
- Calculus/stone disease – complex
- Female urology (incontinence, overactive bladder, vaginal prolapse)
- Pediatric urology (undescended testes, enuresis, hypospadias, ureteral reimplant, vesicoureteral reflux)
- Urologic medical management (BPH, UTI, prostatitis, nocturia)
- Infertility (erectile dysfunction, varicocele)
- Living renal donor nephrectomy/transplant (end stage renal disease, adult polycystic kidney disease)

Additional Information

ON-CALL SCHEDULE & WEEKEND ACTIVITIES: No call.

Students are expected to participate in weekend rounds for routine patient care.