Stanford University Anesthesiology Residency Program
Rotation specific goals and objectives for residents
Core Curriculum for PGY 1 Surgery Residents on the Anesthesia Rotation

**Description:**
The General OR rotation at Stanford University Medical Center offers a broad experience in patient care and peri-operative management for inpatients and outpatients. Anesthetic care is provided for multiple surgical services including General surgery (Breast, Colorectal, GI), Orthopedics, Urology, Plastics, Gynecology, Transplant (Kidney), and Trauma.

This rotation is designed for surgery interns that spend one month in the Stanford OR as their anesthesia elective during their intern year. The intern on anesthesia will be expected to learn the basic principles of anesthesia. The intern will work most days with a resident or attending in the OR at Stanford University Medical Center, with one day spent shadowing an attending in the Preoperative Clinic and one day with a resident or attending in Pediatric Anesthesia at LPCH. Attendance at the weekly lecture CA-1, CA-2, and CA-3 lecture series in addition to the Monday morning grand rounds is expected. It is also expected that interns spend time outside of clinical work for independent reading and attend the grand rounds within their surgical specialty. On the first day of the rotation the intern should pick up the course syllabus and the loaned anesthesia textbook from Yun Tao in the Department of Anesthesia. Interns should keep a log of the cases they performed during the rotation, and they will also be expected to fill out evaluation forms for the course and for the faculty that supervised them.

Interns will be evaluated in the 6 core competencies (Medical knowledge, Patient care, Effective Interpersonal and Communication skills, Professionalism, Practice based learning and improvement, and Systems based practice) using specific evaluation forms. This occurs at the end of each month by each attending the resident has spent time with. They will also be evaluated on their performance during their final exam on the last day of the rotation. This practical final exam involves performing a basic anesthetic from start to finish. Also, each intern is expected to write a one page reflection about their experience during the month and how it will impact their training and patient care. This multiple evaluation approach offers a balanced assessment of the intern’s performance over an entire month.

At the end of the rotation the intern should turn in the following items to Yun Tao: case log, evaluation forms, loaned textbook, and one page reflection about the month. An outline of core competencies with rotation objectives, instructional activities, and evaluations is outlined below for the surgery intern rotation.

**Goal:**
The purpose of this rotation is to introduce the surgical housestaff to the practice of anesthesiology and provide him/her with the anesthetic-related knowledge and skills which are useful and relevant to all physicians.
The application of pharmacology and respiratory and circulatory physiology to the clinical care of patients is emphasized, along with life support skills and airway and anesthetic management. By the end of this rotation the intern should be able to:

- Develop a basic plan and to administer anesthesia care for patients ASA I and II under direct supervision.

### Specific goals and objectives for residents by core competencies:

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<td><strong>Knowledge:</strong> To acquire and apply knowledge of established and evolving basic and applied clinical sciences that relate to the practice of adult anesthesia.</td>
<td>Know and apply the basic and clinical sciences appropriate to the practice of anesthesia such as physiology, pharmacology, and disease processes.</td>
<td>Weekly Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday Lectures Grand Rounds</td>
<td>Individual attending evaluations by GOR faculty Final exam given on last day of rotation (practical exam)</td>
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<td><strong>Patient Care:</strong> To provide compassionate, appropriate, and effective anesthetic management of adults.</td>
<td>Adequate preoperative assessment including: • Confirmation of patient/surgeon/surgical site/drug allergies • Evaluation of appropriate laboratory data • Airway and pertinent physical exam Demonstrate basic technical skills in obtaining IV access and in airway management (mask ventilation, intubation, and LMA placement) Perform anesthesia machine check Select appropriate induction and maintenance anesthetic technique Assess emergence from anesthesia and evaluating readiness for extubation Prescribe appropriate post-anesthetic care Able to manage ASA I and II patients</td>
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<td>Effective Interpersonal and Communication skills:</td>
<td>Discuss procedures, alternatives, risks, and benefits of anesthetic plan with patient: Listen effectively, allow patients/families to ask questions, and be attentive to their concerns. Create a sound relationship with patient with empathy and objectivity.</td>
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<td>Practice based learning and improvement:</td>
<td>Knowledge of common medical complications and mishaps in adult anesthesia: Use of information technology to acquire, evaluate, and assimilate current medical literature as it relates to anesthesia: Welcome candid and constructive feedback from faculty and others.</td>
<td>1:1 teaching in OR by attending faculty: Morbidity &amp; mortality case conferences</td>
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<td>Professionalism:</td>
<td>Display appropriate demeanor, even in adverse situations: Act with sensitivity and responsiveness to patient’s culture, age, gender, and disabilities: Maintain accountability to patients, medical profession, and society: Adhere to professional ethics, respect patient privacy: Obtain proper consent as well as review and confirm advanced directives, if present: Become life long learner.</td>
<td>Modeling by GOR faculty: Grand Rounds</td>
<td>Individual attending evaluations by GOR faculty: Attendance at lectures: Updating case logs</td>
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<td>Systems-based Practice:</td>
<td>Advocate for and assist patients with attaining quality health care by using system resources.</td>
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System-based Practice: A resident must be able to Advocate for and assist patients with attaining quality health care by using system resources.
Suggested Topics for Learning

**Week 1**
- a. Perform a complete safety check of the anesthesia machine. (Direct observation, Check list)
- b. Record intra-operative note and anesthetic data accurately, punctually, and honestly. (Chart review)
- c. Set up appropriate equipment and medications necessary for administration of anesthesia. (Direct observation)

**Week 2**
- d. Understand the basics of the anesthesia machine including the gas delivery systems, vaporizers, and CO2 absorbers. (Quiz)
- e. Conduct a focused history with emphasis on co-existing diseases that are of importance to anesthesia. (Direct observation)
- f. Discuss appropriate anesthetic plan with patient and obtain an informed consent. (Direct observation, check list)

**Week 3**
- g. Transport a stable patient to the Post Anesthesia Care Unit (PACU).
- h. Provide a succinct anesthesia report to the PACU resident and nurse. (Direct observation)
- i. Leave the patient in a stable condition. (Direct observation, 360 observation PACU nurse)
- j. Make a prompt post-operative visit and leave a note in the chart. (Chart review)

**Week 4**
- k. Placement of intravenous cannula. (Direct observation)
- l. Basic technical skills in airway management (mask, ETT, LMA) (Direct observation)
- m. Understanding and proper use of appropriate monitoring systems (BP, EKG, capnography, temperature, and pulse oximeter). (Quiz, case discussion)
- n. Perform a basic anesthetic from start to finish (Final examination)
ASSESSMENT METHODS
The resident will be evaluated in the 6 core competencies using specific evaluation forms. The evaluation method is accomplished by each faculty that worked with the resident. Face to face interaction between the attending physician and the intern is also an option. At any point of the rotation, the resident is encouraged to approach the attending physician that they have worked with primarily to assess and discuss performance. In addition, ongoing feedback is provided related to residents’ patient care responsibilities and activities. On the last day of the rotation the resident will complete the final exam, which involves performing a basic anesthetic from start to finish.

Typical four weeks rotation*
First Day: Discuss Goals and Objectives for rotation; etiquette in the OR; proper documentation; proper sign out; post-op orders and machine check.

Typical Week:
Monday
6:45-7:45 am Anesthesia Grand Rounds, Li Ka Shing Learning Center
7:45 Report to Stanford OR front board
4:00-5:30pm CA-2 Lecture, Anesthesia Conference Room, H3565

Tuesday
6:45 Stanford OR
4:00-5:30pm CA-1 Lecture, Anesthesia Conference Room, H3565

Wednesday
6:45 Stanford OR
4:00-5:30pm CA-3 Lecture, Anesthesia Conference Room, H3565

Thursday
6:45 Stanford OR

Friday
6:45 Stanford OR
Additional training locations:
Lucile Packard Children’s Hospital Operating Rooms – one day (day TBD)
Anesthesia Preop Clinic with Dr. Stephen Fischer – one day (day TBD)

Suggested topics to discuss with attending and residents in the OR:
Standard Monitors
IV Induction Agents Agents
Rational Opioid Use
Use Neuromuscular Blocking Agents
MAC & Awareness
Airway Management including face mask ventilation, intubation, LMA placement and when to use each
Difficult airway algorithm
Intraoperative Hypotension & Hypertension
Crisis Management in Anesthesia
Postoperative Management
Anaphylaxis
Anesthesia for special populations: pediatric, obese, geriatric, trauma, burn…
Fluid management
Types of anesthesia: GA vs MAC vs. block vs neuraxial anesthesia; risks/benefits of each
Blood product management and coagulopathy
ACLS
Common postoperative problems
Delayed awakening
Pain management
Chronic pain patients
Prevention of perioperative neuropathies
Placement of central and peripheral central lines