MEDICINE OSCE GUIDE FOR STUDENTS

Welcome to your Medicine Clerkship Clinical Skills Exercise. This exercise has been designed to allow you to demonstrate your ability to:

- Interview a standardized patient and obtain a focused history
- Perform a focused screening physical examination on a standardized patient
- Communicate the differential diagnosis and initial diagnostic workup and management plan to the standardized patient
- Demonstrate proper draping techniques during physical exam
- Demonstrate appropriate communication and interpersonal skills
- Document pertinent positive and negative findings, a prioritized differential diagnosis, and a list of labs and imaging studies to be ordered relevant to the chief concern

What to expect the day of your OSCE

1. **15** minute orientation outlining the logistics of the OSCE and answering any questions you may have (Room 399)
2. **2-3** minutes to review the patient chart and write down an outline of what you'd like to ask your patient on a notepad that is provided to you; assume the vitals on the chart are correct (they do not need to be repeated) (Room 330- Selfridge Clinical Skills Center)
3. **30** minute encounter with SP. Elicit a focused history and perform a focused physical exam. There will be an overhead announcement when there are **10** minutes remaining in the encounter and a second overhead announcement once the 20 minutes is up
4. Receive **5-8** minutes of feedback from the SP related to your communication and interpersonal skills
5. **15** minutes to document the following on a laptop in the hallway of the Selfridge Clinical Skills Center:
    a. Pertinent positive and negative findings from both the history and physical exam
    b. List up to 3 possible diagnoses, each one must be supported by findings
    c. List of Labs/imaging studies that should be ordered
6. Complete a Center for Simulation Education survey related to your SP and your overall experience

Other Reminders

- Be sure to wear your white coat for this encounter and bring a pen
- Bring your stethoscope; all other equipment that may be needed will be available in your Selfridge Clinical Skills Center room
- All physical exam maneuvers must be done on skin, not over the gown, in order to get full credit
- SPs are a valuable assessment tool used to evaluate your clinical skills in a standardized fashion. While we make every attempt to ensure encounters are as realistic as possible, there are some limitations. The physical profile of the SP may not always align with the case. For example, the SP may say they are 40 years old but they may look to be 20 or 60 years old. They may say that they had a certain surgery but you see no evidence (scar) of that surgery upon physical exam. Thus, it is important that you suspend your disbelief and always go with the history that the SP provides. The more that you can "buy in" to this encounter and treat it as if it is real, the better you will do.
- If you are running late or unable to attend your scheduled OSCE for some reason, be sure to call 708-216-2350 the day of the OSCE to make our staff aware

Specific Questions for Post Encounter (15 minutes):

HISTORY: Describe the history you just obtained from this patient. Include only information (pertinent positives and negatives) relevant to this patient's problems.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION: Describe any positive and negative findings relevant to this patient's problem(s). Be careful and include only those parts of examination you performed in this encounter.

DATA INPTERPRETATON: Based on what you have learned from the history and physical examination, list up to 3 diagnoses that might explain this patient's complaint(s). List your diagnoses from most to least likely. For some cases, fewer than 3 diagnoses will be appropriate. Then, enter the positive or negative findings from the history and the physical examination (if present) that support each diagnosis. Lastly, list initial diagnostic studies (if any) you would order for each listed diagnosis (e.g. restricted physical exam maneuvers, laboratory tests, imaging, ECG, etc.).

Diagnosis #1: (Include history and physical exam findings)

Diagnosis #2: (Include history and physical examination findings)

Diagnosis #3: (Include history and physical examination findings)

Diagnostic Studies: (List all)