MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE
SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY
DEPARTMENT OF ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY
ADVANCED EDUCATION PROGRAM IN GENERAL PRACTICE RESIDENCY

Goals and Objectives for Rotations for the General Practice Residency Program

General Dentistry (GPR Clinic) Objectives:
1. Learn assessments, treatments, alternative and preventive strategies for patient care.
2. Learn how to diagnose patients with complex needs.
3. Learn how to function on an inter-professional healthcare team.
4. Learn how to provide care and the management of patients with extra-oral facial emergencies, complex oral-facial emergencies and infections.

VA Hospital Nashville Objectives:
1. To increase the resident experiences in fixed (to include restoring implants) and removable prosthodontics.
2. To expose the resident to different impression materials and techniques for complete denture construction.
3. To increase residents experiences in restorative dentistry.
4. To provide comprehensive examination, diagnosis and treatment planning for the veteran geriatric patients.
5. To evaluate and establish the relationship between medical, psychosocial, socioeconomic and environmental factors affecting the healthcare in the veteran population.

VA Hospital Murfreesboro Objectives:
1. To increase the residents experience in endodontics.
2. To increase the resident experiences in fixed (to include restoring implants) and removable prosthodontics.
3. To provide comprehensive examination, diagnosis and treatment planning for the veteran geriatric patients.
4. To evaluate and establish the relationship between medical, psychosocial, socioeconomic and environmental factors affecting the healthcare in the veteran population.
5. To increase residents experiences in restorative dentistry.

Internal Medicine Objectives:
1. To be able to evaluate medical risk assessment on patients.
2. To be able to perform medical histories and physical examinations on patients.
3. To understand the indications and contraindications for commonly prescribed drugs.
4. To learn how to function on a multidisciplinary healthcare team.
5. To expose the residents to the common medical/surgery entities that the physician encounters on the inpatient service, further to provide formal instruction and clinical experience in medical risk assessment.

**Anesthesia Objectives:**
1. To learn and understand the impact of anesthetic agents on normal physiologic processes.
2. To learn and understand the impact of systemic disease on the anesthetic plan.
3. To learn the management of a toxic local anesthetic injection.

**Oral Surgery Objectives:**
1. To perform comprehensive examinations on patients presenting to the oral surgery clinic.
2. To perform routine extractions.
3. To perform surgical extractions including root recovery.
4. To manage post-operative hemorrhage.
5. To place implants for the GPR patients.
6. To treat patients with abscess formation, acute infection inflammation and/or pain of dental origin.
7. To perform soft tissue surgery including biopsies.
8. To perform pre prosthetic surgery procedures.
9. To participate in and perform procedures in the hospital operating room with the oral surgeons.
10. To provide the initial contact in regards to the early diagnosis, management and care of trauma to the hard and soft tissues of the head and neck.