PEDS-736: DEVELOPMENTAL PEDIATRIC PRACTICUM

Aims
This four-week elective will provide you with a background in the principles of normal childhood development and behavior and common developmental and behavioral problems.

Objectives

Medical Knowledge
- Identify and discuss patterns of normal development and behavior for children and families
- Discuss interdisciplinary methods of evaluation and therapy for patients with developmental and psychosocial issues

Patient Care
- Understand the principles of developmental screening and the types of different screening instruments, differentiating normal and abnormal findings
- Discuss the role of the pediatrician in the prevention, evaluation and management of developmental and behavioral problems in children

Interpersonal & Communication Skills
- Understand the collaborative relationship between pediatricians and ancillary healthcare providers and professionals who work with children with disabilities and special health care needs
- Become familiar with developmental, educational, and community resources that can assist in diagnosis and management of developmental and behavioral problems

Methods

Medical Knowledge
- Complete suggested readings as outlined
- Participate in teaching sessions and conferences

Patient Care
- Attend outpatient clinics and interdisciplinary team evaluations focused in the area of developmental medicine
- Administer and score developmental and autism screening instruments

Interpersonal & Communication Skills
- Participate in Project DOCC

Evaluation

Medical Knowledge
- Informal case discussion/presentations and participation in seminar activities (25%)

Patient Care & Interpersonal & Communication Skills
- Global performance evaluation (75%)

Scheduled Activities (UNMC College of Medicine Required Reporting)

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Max # Students/Period: 1