Obstetrics & Gynecology: Core EPA #7

Providing definitive management for patients with acute gynecologic emergencies

Key Features:
- This EPA focuses on diagnosing, managing, counselling, and coordinating care for patients with acute gynecologic emergencies.

Assessment Plan:
Direct or indirect observation by OBGYN faculty or subspecialty trainee

Use Form 1. Form collects information on:
- Setting: emergency department; inpatient ward; outpatient clinic
- Patient presentation: acute intra-abdominal process; severe ovarian hyperstimulation syndrome; acute uterine bleeding; early pregnancy complications
- Observation: direct; indirect

Collect 3 observations of achievement
- At least 1 direct observation by faculty
- At least 2 different observers

Relevant Milestones:

1. **ME 1.4** Apply a broad base and depth of knowledge in clinical and biomedical sciences to manage the breadth of patient presentations in obstetrics and gynecology
2. **ME 1.5** Perform clinical assessments that address all relevant issues
3. **COM 2.1** Actively listen and respond to patient cues
4. **ME 1.7** Adapt care as the complexity, uncertainty, and ambiguity of the patient’s clinical situation evolves
5. **ME 2.1** Prioritize issues to be addressed in the patient encounter
6. **ME 2.2** Elicit a history, perform a physical exam, select appropriate investigations, and interpret their results for the purpose of diagnosis and management, disease prevention, and health promotion
7. **ME 2.3** Share concerns, in a constructive and respectful manner, with patients and their families about goals of care that are not felt to be achievable
8. **ME 2.4** Develop and implement plans for definitive management of acute gynecologic emergencies
9. **ME 3.1** Determine the most appropriate procedures or therapies for the purpose of assessment and/or management
10. **ME 3.1** Describe the indications, contraindications, risks, and alternatives for a given procedure or therapy
11. **ME 3.3** Advocate for a patient’s procedure or therapy on the basis of urgency and available resources
12. **COM 3.1** Convey information about diagnosis and prognosis clearly and compassionately
13  COM 5.1 Document clinical encounters to adequately convey findings, clinical reasoning and the rationale for decisions
14  COL 1.3 Communicate effectively with physicians and other colleagues in the health care professions
15  COL 3.2 Organize the handover of care to the most appropriate physician or health care professional