Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology, University of Toronto
Residency Rotation-Specific Objectives

Rotation: LOWER GENITAL TRACT DISEASES (LGTD)

1 MEDICAL EXPERT

1.1 Knowledge of Anatomy and Physiology Objectives:
   1 Demonstrate knowledge of embryology and anatomy of the lower genital tract
   2 Demonstrate an understanding of the pathogenesis of cervical and vulvar neoplasia and prevention
   3 Demonstrate knowledge of biology and pathobiology of HPV
   4 Demonstrate knowledge of normal vaginal flora and common inflammatory conditions.

1.2 Data Gathering Objectives:
   1 Obtain a complete history
   2 Conduct the appropriate colposcopic assessment and documentation utilizing international federation colposcopy terminology.

1.3 Clinical Reasoning, Management and Judgement/Diagnostic and Therapeutic Planning Objectives:
   1 Triage and manage:
      • Abnormal Pap smear
      • Common causes of vulvar pain including localized and diffuse vulvodynia
      • Common vulvar dystrophies, tumours, and inflammatory conditions.

1.4 Procedural skills Objectives:
   1 Demonstrate expertise in performing:
      • colposcopy
      • cervical biopsy
      • endocervical curettage
      • leep and cone biopsy

      • laser therapy for vulva, vagina and cervix
      • intracervical and paracervical block
      • application of topical ablative agents.

2 COMMUNICATOR

2.1 Physician/Patient Relationship Objectives:
   1 Elicit the trust and cooperation of the patient and be sensitive to the emotional and psychosocial aspects of LGTD management.

2.2 Verbal / Written Communication Skills Objectives:
   1 Convey bad news with empathy to patients.
   2 Complete consultation notes and health records in a timely manner.

3 COLLABORATOR

3.1 Team Relations Objectives:
   1 Identify the role of the various healthcare team members and recognize their contribution to management of LGTD.
   2 Utilize the appropriate health professionals and resources.
   3 Communicate appropriately when interacting with clinic administrative staff and other members of the multidisciplinary healthcare team.

4 LEADER

4.1 Time Management Objectives:
   1 Assess patients in an efficient manner in the LGTD clinics.

4.2 Resources Stewardship Objectives:
1 Determine appropriate investigations for diagnosis and management of LGTD patient.
2 Coordinate LGTD patient care including communication with consulting services, follow up of investigations, responding to patient/family queries and timely completion of health records.

5 HEALTH ADVOCATE

5.1 Determinants of Health/Health Advocacy Objectives:
1 Demonstrate an understanding of the prevention of primary and secondary cervical neoplasia, and adhere to the “Ontario Cervical Screening Guidelines.”
2 Advocate for understanding of cultural influences on treatment options.
3 Encourage LGTD patients to receive HPV vaccine.
4 Advocate effectively for equal access to cervical screening.

6 SCHOLAR

6.1 Self-Directed Learning Objectives:
1 Demonstrate critical approach to the literature regarding investigation, therapeutics and healthcare delivery with respect to LGTD.

6.2 Teaching Skills Objectives:
1 Teach medical students, junior residents, other staff and patients in the LGTD unit.

7 PROFESSIONAL

7.1 Responsibility Objectives:
1 Be available to the administrative staff and healthcare team and participate in the management of the LGTD patients in the unit, in conjunction with the healthcare team.
2 Demonstrate professional attitudes in interactions with patients and other healthcare personnel
3 Achieve:
   • Colposcopy certification acceptable for membership in the Society of Canadian Colposcopists
   • Laser certification for laser practical use, knowledge, safety and laser physics including ultrapulse
   • Certification in electro-surgery including auto-cut generators
4 Report absences in a timely manner.

7.2 Self-Assessment Skills/Insight Objectives:
1 Communicate with attending staff and request assistance in patient management when appropriate.

7.3 Ethics Objectives:
1 Demonstrate an awareness of the medico-legal issues and ethical issues with respect to patient confidentiality.

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