

Name of Course: Endocrinology

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Duration: 4-6 Weeks

Number of Students: 1

Student Level: 4th year Medical Students

Report First Day: Naval Medical Center Portsmouth
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Course Description: The objectives of the course are achieved mainly through direct patient care. The student will see patients on their first visit to the clinic, will evaluate them independently and review the case with the attending staff. Every effort is made to schedule only new patients for the student. The student will also be the first to assess new inpatient consultations and will be expected to round on those patients daily. There is available an extensive reading list on the common problems encountered and the student is expected to utilize it. The student is expected to conduct a 10 – 15 minute presentation on an endocrine topic of their choosing during the last week of the clerkship.

Distribution of Student's Efforts:

Patient Contact: 80% Outpatient
20% Inpatient
2.5 hours/week conferences/lectures (Attendance to Internal Medicine morning report and noon conferences encouraged)
40 hours/week faculty contact time

Objectives: By the end of the elective, the student should be able to:

1. Achieve basic understanding of the clinical care for patients with diseases of the endocrine system including:
 - (1) Thyroid disease
 - (2) Adrenal disease
 - (3) Pituitary disease
 - (4) Disorders of carbohydrate and lipid metabolism
 - (5) Gonadal dysfunction
 - (6) Calcium metabolism
2. Achieve understanding of the cost effective use of laboratory assessment in the practice of endocrinology.
3. Participate in the procedures performed in the clinic including thyroid biopsies and dynamic endocrine testing.

Evaluation: