Psychiatry Clerkship Director Report
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Overall structure of rotation

• 6 – 8 weeks rotation

• General overview of psychiatric diagnosis and therapeutics

• 1 outpatient week except those in rural tract (which have no outpatient week allotted)

• Sites:
  – VAMC Psychiatry Services
  – Woodridge Hospital
  – Johnson City Medical Center
  – ETSU Dept of Psychiatry (Building 52)
Objectives

• Perform a Psychiatry Interview

• Recognize and Respond to Emotional Reactions of Patient Interactions

• Organize and Present a Psychiatric History/MSE/Assessment/Plan

• Familiarize with Psychiatric Medications and Psychotherapy

• Demonstrate Ability to Work as a Team

• Develop skills to make initial assessments of psychiatric emergencies

• Familiarize with Common Childhood Psychiatric Disorders/Treatment
Core Content

• Clinical Duties (depending on service and site)

• On-call Duties

• Grand Rounds (Friday at 11 am - Noon)

• Didactics (Thursday Afternoons)

• Precepting (weekly one-hour meeting)

• Patient Logs

• Ethics Cases
Teaching Methods

- Formal Didactics every Thursday Afternoon
- Psychiatry Grand Rounds every Friday (1 hr)
- On Site Teaching/Learning
- Precepting Time
- Oral Exam/Vignettes
Evaluation Methods

- End of Clerkship Faculty Evaluations (Inpt/Outpt)
- Mid-Clerkship Discussion with Clerkship Director
- Patient Logs
- Ethic Cases
- Resident Evaluations
- Preceptor Evaluation/Grade
- Oral Exam Evaluation/Grade
- Shelf Exam
## Grading Structure

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* Minimal score of 75 points on the shelf examination must be obtained in order to obtain a letter grade A for the Psychiatry rotation.
Summary of Student Feedback

Various feedbacks through the clerkships

- VA site
- Woodridge site
- Didactics
- Attending Physicians/Residents
Clerkship Strengths

- Superb Teaching Faculty/Residents with Direct interaction with the attending/residents
- Formal Didactics
- Well Received Outpatient Week
- Preceptors
- Resident to student ratio
3 Clerkship Weaknesses

- Timely Written Feedback
- Rural Tract Do Not get Outpatient Week
- Lack of Diversity of Patient Diseases at specific sites
3 Areas with Potential for Growth

- Outpatient week
- More feedback from the faculty to the students during the rotation
- Students want increased exposure to variety of patient disease process