

Washington DC VA Medical Center Medicine Consult Curriculum

Rotation Objectives:

- Each resident will demonstrate understanding of common consult conditions (including perioperative risk, diabetes mellitus, and anticoagulation).
- Each resident will demonstrate effective verbal communication with consulting services.

Background:

Washington Hospital Center and the DC Veteran's Affairs Medical Center have partnered to create a rotation with the goals of educating residents on common medical conditions seen on non-medicine services and also teaching effective communication between services. This is especially important as the ACGME core competencies move to the Milestone system. Relevant Milestones assess residents' ability to request/provide consultative care, have professional/respectful interactions within interprofessional teams, and communicate effectively within interprofessional teams

(<http://www.acgme.org/acgmeweb/Portals/0/PDFs/Milestones/InternalMedicineMilestones.pdf>)

Getting Started:

Go to <https://shm.community360.net>

You will need to create an account (this should be free). Click on the "Login" button in the top right corner.

Once you have created an account, go under "SHMConsults: Consultative & Perioperative Medicine Essentials for Hospitalists" and click the "more" button to see a list of all modules. When you want to access a module, you will have to put it in your cart and view from there. However, the modules are free.

Curriculum Requirements:

- 1) You will be required to read **1 article** in the first week of your rotation. This article is intended as a resource to inform your communication and professional interactions on the consult service.
- 2) All consult residents will be required to complete **8 modules** from the SHM Consultative and Perioperative Medicine Essentials for Hospitalists. The order in which modules should be completed as listed below. Completion certificates should be emailed to the attending that is on service at the end of the week and Jessica Logan, consult director.

You can verify completion in one of two ways: 1) If CME is available for the module, save and email the CME certificate. 2) If CME is no longer available, please take a screen shot of the last question of the module and email the screen shot.

Week 1:

Article:

-Principles of Effective Consultation: An Update for the 21st-Century Consultant. Salerno SM, et al. Arch Intern Med. 2007; 167: 271-5.

SHM Modules:

- Perioperative Cardiac Risk Assessment
- Perioperative Cardiac Risk Management

Week 2:

SHM Modules:

- Pulmonary Risk Management in the Perioperative Setting
- Perioperative Medication Management

Week 3:

SHM Modules:

- Managing Diabetes and Hyperglycemia in the Hospital: Focus on the Noncritically Ill Patient
- Managing Diabetes and Hyperglycemia in the Hospital: Critically Ill and Surgical Patients

Week 4:

SHM Modules:

- Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis in Surgical Patients
- Ensuring Appropriate Use of Newer Anticoagulants: Acute Treatment of VTE: A Virtual Patient Consult Activity

Assessment:

-The curriculum requirements will be used to help formulate your final New Innovations evaluation.

1) A note will be placed in the comments section stating that the 10 required modules were satisfactorily completed.

2) If the curriculum is not completed, you will receive an “Unsatisfactory” on Behaves professionally towards patients, families, colleagues and all members of the health care team. A note in the comments section will be included to explain this rating. In addition, an email will be sent to your chief resident.