

ORIENTATION FOR OB/GYN CLERKSHIP CLINICAL SKILLS EXERCISE

STUDENT TASK:

You are a 3rd year student on the OB-GYN Clerkship rotation. It is your task to interview and examine a female patient in the ambulatory clinic who is here for her annual breast and pelvic exam.

This exercise is composed of several components.

A. The standardized patient interview and focused physical exam

You are expected to take a patient history, based on the patient's chief complaint or concerns expressed. Since this is a new patient encounter, you should also review the patient's past history to help in addressing their concerns. Please also perform any physical exam steps consistent with the patient's HPI.

B. The standardized patient breast exam

You are expected to perform a bilateral breast examination on an SP with normal breasts. All three parts of the breast exam (visual inspection, axillary nodes, and manual palpation) should be completed. It will be helpful to review the videos on the clerkship website prior to the patient encounter.

C. Positioning of the standardized patient for pelvic exam

You are expected to position the standardized patient on the exam table, with her legs in stirrups, for a pelvic exam. The focus should be communication for properly explaining the positioning for a sensitive examination. **Once properly positioned, the SP will remove themselves from the exam table and place the pelvic model on the table.**

D. Perform a pelvic exam on a pelvic model

You are expected to perform a pelvic exam (visual inspection, speculum exam, bimanual exam) on a pelvic model. You should **communicate** with the SP as if you are performing the exam on them. (When doing the Pap smear, please do not actually use the liquid solution on the model, as it can damage the model.)

E. Educational Component

After the physical examination, the patient will have some questions or concerns regarding the encounter. Prior to the encounter, the student will be given resources on several different topics related to the clerkship. It is the expectation that the student will review and have knowledge about these resources. Using information from these resources, the student will answer the questions and educate the patient.

F. Computer Documentation

After the patient encounter, the student will leave the room and proceed to document the history and physical examination on the computer. The student will be given time to type out the documenting note.

G. Feedback

The SP will provide feedback to you. This feedback will include, if necessary, remediation on any part of the breast exam or positioning for pelvic exam, which may have been done incorrectly.

The SP encounter (Parts 1-4) is 40 minutes total. An announcement will be made when there are ten minutes remaining in the encounter, and an additional announcement will be made at the end of the encounter. Please close the encounter and exit the room. You will be directed to a laptop computer in the hallway. You will have 15 minutes to write up the H&P. The SP will then invite you back into the room for feedback.