**Washington DC VA Medical Center**

**Medicine Consult Curriculum**

**Rotation Objectives:**

* Each resident will provide recommendations for management 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)

**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 Chase Houghton, consult director ([chase.houghton@va.gov](mailto:chase.houghton@va.gov)). 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.

**Getting Started:**

Please use the attached departmental access code and instructions to access the modules. You may NOT use this code for anything other than this purpose and the access will be monitored by the Society of Hospital Medicine to prevent misuse.

**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:*

-Evaluation and Management of Perioperative Anemia

-Perioperative Bridging of Anticoagulation Therapy

**Week 4:**

*SHM Modules:*

-Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis in Surgical Patients

-Perioperative Management of Anticoagulation or The Hospitalist’s Role In Ensuring Optimal Nutrition For Hospitalized Patients

**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 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.