

Emergency Medicine – 2 weeks – 70h
Obstetrics & Gynecology – 2 weeks - 70h
5th year, 6-year program ED students
Faculty of Medicine

Upon completion of their fifth year of study students are required to take one-month summer clinical clerkships including a two-week training at the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology and subsequently a two-week practical course in the Emergency Medicine Ward at a teaching hospital in Poland or selected foreign countries. The clerkships are a part of the medical curriculum mandatory to be granted a pass to enter the sixth year of the study.

The head of the Ob/Gyn Department, the Emergency Medicine ward or an appointed instructor in charge is responsible for providing a detailed program of the practical training course and duty schedules. They also supervise and carry out the final assessment of students' clinical performance.

The duties carried out by the student are those of a regular physician / surgeon, however, under professional supervision of the instructors.

During their training students are expected to perform two twenty-four hour shifts (two on each ward) when they shadow the physician / surgeon in charge and assist or do the regulator work.

The fifth-year training aims at using the theoretical background students obtained in their courses (gynecology, obstetrics, infectious diseases, internal diseases, paediatric diseases, emergency medicine, neurology, imaging diagnostics, anesthetics etc.) developing and/or improving practical skills.

The program at the G&O ward provides instruction in the following aspects:

1. organization and functioning of the Obstetric Admissions Department, Labor Ward and Maternity Ward;
2. admitting the patient, setting up the patient's records, carrying out activities with respect to the patient's personal toilet;
3. monitoring the stages of labor, completing the chart of the labor course with a particular focus on parameters with respect to the maternal and fetal status;
4. delivering the patient under a close supervision of an obstetrician and midwife;
5. assistance in suturing the perineum;
6. post-delivery assessment of the placenta;
7. instruction in operating diagnostic devices (e.g. amnioscope, pulse rate detector etc.);
8. assisting in the Caesarian section
9. organization and management of work at the Gynecological Admission Department and in the Gynecological Ward;
10. principles of gynecological examination;
11. criteria used for qualifying patients for operation;
12. management of work in the treatment room, completing and filing records, collecting samples for histopathological and cytological examination;
13. assisting in gynecological surgical procedures;
14. early postoperative monitoring, completing the patients' chart;

15. management of patients admitted for threatened abortion;
16. principles of prevention of neoplasia of the female genital organs and breast;

The goals of the instruction provided in the Emergency Medicine ward are:

1. Understanding the organization of the Intensive Care Ward.
2. Deepening knowledge of physiopathology associated with life-threatening conditions caused by injuries, serious infections, extensive operations.
3. Familiarization with treatment methods used in the intensive care unit with a strong emphasis on the acquisition of practical skills.
4. Getting to know the methods of monitoring the respiratory system, conducting mechanical ventilation with a respirator.
5. Getting to know the methods of cardiovascular monitoring and methods of pharmacological support of the circulatory system.
6. Evaluating the patient's state of consciousness, sedation in the intensive care unit.
7. Familiarization with infections in the intensive care unit and the principles of treatment of septic shock.
8. Ethical problems in intensive care (futile therapy, DNR).

Throughout the course of training students are expected to make records of their activities and procedures performed. They are also assessed by the instructor in charge and are finally granted their passing mark by the head of the department. Certificates written in English or translated should be submitted to the Dean's Office of the Medical University of Warsaw by September 20th of the subsequent academic year.