

MED 678 CLINICAL DERMATOLOGY

COURSE OVERVIEW & DERMATOLOGY WHO'S WHO

OVERVIEW

Objectives

During this rotation, some of you will be working in dermatology clinics only, and some of you will have an inpatient consult service experience in addition. In either case, we hope that you will use this time to learn a basic approach to the diagnosis and management of the 20 or so most common skin problems that you will encounter in your clinical practice. Additionally, you should learn the principles and practice of topical therapy with wet dressings, steroids, emollients and antipruritic therapy. You should also learn to recognize major life-threatening skin diseases and skin markers of systemic disease. Finally, you should all learn and become facile with dermatologic vocabulary in order to generate clinical differential diagnoses and so that you can accurately describe a rash or a lesion to a dermatologist when requesting their consultative services in the future.

Your Schedule

Your specific schedule of clinics and/or times allotted to the consult service and other conferences should be enclosed. If it is not, please contact Alissa Newton in the Dermatology office at 543-5290. On the first day of your rotation show up at the appropriate clinic or location according to the schedule. If you have any questions, please page the dermatology resident.

You are expected to attend all scheduled events unless excused by a faculty member. This applies, even if you have residency interviews to attend. Please let us know as soon as possible if you anticipate an absence as we need to adjust the clinics accordingly. One of the strengths of this rotation is that you see patients as the primary caregiver, rather than following on the coat tails of a resident. In order to do this, we schedule patients in the clinics for you to see and then staff with an attending dermatologist. **Please do not schedule personal appointments during clinics. Thank you.**

Clinical Responsibilities

You will be seeing patients so please dress appropriately. In the clinics take as much primary responsibility as you can. On a patient's first dermatology clinic visit, it is our policy to perform a complete skin examination (see enclosure), unless the patient declines or the attending physician approves a limited examination. It would be negligent to treat the patients' chief complaint and miss a melanoma elsewhere on their body! The attending physician must review and sign your notes in the chart. Please include the attending's name at the end of your write-up. If the patient is referred to us, please include the referring physician's name in the first sentence of the write-up. Keep a note of any biopsies you do, so that if the case is presented at DermPath Conference you can recall the salient details. It is also a good habit to keep a record of all lab tests that you order, and to check for results - redundancy in the system makes for safer patient care.

Texts/Library/Photocopying

It is recommended that you have access to a text while on the service - reading will pay off by making the clinic a more valuable experience for you. An excellent general dermatology textbook is "Habif TP: Clinical Dermatology - A Color Guide to Diagnosis and Therapy, Third Edition, CV Mosby, 1996." The University Bookstore - South Campus usually has it in stock. The cost is approximately \$120.00; or if you prefer, the Dermatology Division also has it for rent for \$7.50. You can see Alissa Newton in the Dermatology office to make arrangements. **Please make your check payable to the University of Washington: cash is not accepted.**

A CD-ROM of Dr. Fleckman's nail tutorial is available for your use in the dermatology office should you wish to learn more about nail disorders.

Evaluations

Evaluation forms will be done on-line. It is mandatory that you fill them out: We can only improve by knowing what could be done better. If things are not going well mid-rotation for any reason, come and speak to one of us and we'll try to improve things for you.

DERMATOLOGY WHO'S WHO

Who's Who in Dermatology at UWMC

Dr. John Olerud, Professor & Division Head

Dermatology Clinic on Tuesdays (8:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.). Special interests in wound healing problems, mycosis fungoides, and difficult management dermatology cases.

Dr. Zsolt Argenyi, Professor (Dermatology and Pathology)

Pigmented Lesions Clinic on Fridays (9:00 a.m.). Dr. Argenyi is our dermatopathologist.

Dr. Sanford Barnes, Clinical Professor

Dermatology Clinic on Mondays (8:00 a.m.) Special interest in general dermatology, dermatologic surgery and skin cancer.

Dr. Dan Berg, Professor

Dr. Berg is the chief dermatologic surgeon at UWMC.

Dr. Philip Fleckman, Professor

Dermatology Clinic on Thursdays (12:45 pm). Special interests in nail disorders, ichthyoses and blistering diseases.

Dr. Mike Piepkorn, Clinical Professor

Mole Clinic on 2nd & 4th Wednesdays (9:00 a.m.)

Dr. Russell Caldwell, Clinical Associate Professor

Dermatology Clinic on 1st & 3rd Wednesdays (9:00 a.m.)

Dr. Hao Wang, Clinical Assistant Professor

Dermatology Clinic on Mondays (1:00 p.m.)

UWMC Dermatology Resident

There will be a new resident rotating through every 2 months. Find out who they are and get to know them. They can teach you a great deal about dermatology and just how the system works.

Claudia Davis, ARNP

Claudia is the nurse practitioner for dermatology and is in the clinic area most days.

Betsy Williams

Betsy is the Dermatology office administrator. She is an excellent resource for administratively-based questions while you are on rotation (or before!)

Alissa Newton

Alissa is the Dermatology administrative coordinator and is the person to contact if you have questions (543-5290).

Sue Montgomery

Sue is Dr. Olerud's personal secretary/assistant and can arrange for meetings with Dr. Olerud regarding career counseling for Dermatology (543-5290).

Who's Who in Dermatology at HMC

Dr. Roy Colven, Associate Professor

Residency Program Director and has a special interest in HIV Dermatology

Dr. Philip Kirby, Clinical Professor

Dr. Marshall Welch, Clinical Associate Professor

Special interest in contact dermatitis

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Sheri Ewers, MA

Sheri is the Dermatology care specialist.

Who's Who in Dermatology at HMC (continued)

Heather Pullen, PA

Heather is the physician assistant for Adult Medicine.

Sue Sperline

Sue is the HMC Dermatology secretary (341-4630).

Carrie Barbee

Carrie is the patient care coordinator (341-4630).

Heidi Sitton, RN

Heidi is the Nurse Manager of the Medical Specialties Clinic.

Who's Who in Dermatology at VAPSHCS

Dr. Gregory Raugi, Professor and VAPSHCS Section Head

Special interest in dermatologic education and computer assisted teaching.

VAPSHCS Dermatology Resident

There will be a new resident rotating through every 2 months. Find out who they are and get to know them. They can teach you a great deal about dermatology and just how the system works.

Eve Worrell

Eve is the Dermatology secretary (764-2305) at the VA.

Who's Who in Dermatology at CHRMC

Dr. Robin Hornung, Assistant Professor, Department of Pediatrics/Adjunct-Dermatology

Pediatric Dermatology

CHRMC Dermatology Resident

There will be a new resident rotating through every 2 months. Find out who they are and get to know them. They can teach you a great deal about dermatology and just how the system works.

Mary Moran

Mary is the Pediatric Dermatology Program Assistant (206-987-1513) at CHRMC.

We welcome you to the Dermatology Service and look forward to having you with us. Like most things in life, you'll get out of this experience what you put into it. We all think that dermatology is pretty great and hope to share some of that enthusiasm with you.

Questions: Contact Alissa Newton (543-5290); e-mail: anewt@u.washington.edu