

OB/GYN  
3<sup>rd</sup> Year Clerkship



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Many "Faces" of OB/GYN



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Clerkship Format

- 6-week clerkship
- Course Description  
*Introductory experience in the provision of comprehensive medical care and counseling services to adult and adolescent female patients.*
- Settings: 31 sites
  - \* University hospital
  - \* Community hospital
  - \* Physician offices
  - \* Public health clinics
  - \* Inpatient
  - \* Outpatient

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### Clerkship Activities

- Office
  - Interview and examine patients (pelvic & breast exams, pap smears)
  - Observe or assist with office procedures (colposcopy, endometrial biopsy, D&C)
- OR
  - Participate in GYN surgeries and cesarean sections
- L&D
  - Evaluate patients in triage
  - Observe, assist, or perform vaginal & cesarean deliveries
- Inpatient
  - Round on patients and participate in their hospitalization

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### Clerkship Activities

- Lectures (on-line)
- Grand Rounds
- Conferences
- 4 Required patient History & Physical write-ups
- 20 minute Oral Presentation
- Pelvic and Breast Exam CEX
- Meeting with preceptors

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### Schedules

- Hours determined by site
  - < 80 hours/week
- Call varies
  - Once weekly
  - Night float (UWMC, HMC)
  - Follow call of preceptor
- Time off
  - Holidays are at the discretion of the site director

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### Sites

- "Ivory Tower": residents, high risk patients, tertiary center – UWMC, Madigan
- "Big Town": Family Med. Residents, many subspecialists, Referral for smaller communities – Anchorage, Billings, Boise, Northwest (Seattle)



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### Sites

- "Small Town": more 1-on-1, fewer providers, more hands-on, more bread-n-butter – Libby, Cody, Lander
- "Brand New": enthusiastic teachers, 'growing pains' - Bellingham, Kalispell, Helena, Sheridan, Gillette



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### Site considerations

- Do you want to work with residents?
- Do you want other students rotating with you?
- Are you independent and can "roll with the flow" or like to put your "stamp" on the site
- Do you like highly structured environments?
- Are you worried about being Male on this rotation?

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