

TOXICOLOGY ROTATION CURRICULUM AND GUIDELINES

DAILY

Meet at the poison center from 8:00AM - 12:00PM each weekday, unless there is a conflict with shifts in the ER, residency conferences, clinics, staff meetings, or excused absences.

On your first day, check in with Dr. Seifert, the medical director or his designee for orientation.

Thereafter, check in with the Senior PharmD Fellow for case assignments. Admitted patients in our service area are reviewed for presentation and discussion in work rounds at 9:00AM. Be prepared to discuss the drug class of exposures, as well as their kinetics, dynamics and toxicities.

If there are admitted patients at UNM for which we are providing a bedside consultation, the on-service rotators and PharmD fellows should see the patient(s) prior to work rounds. After presentation and discussion, the team will then return to the bedside with the attending toxicologist for further assessment and recommendations

Each day, time permitting, there will be a 1 hour core content didactic session performed by the attending toxicologist or PharmD fellow.

There will be no group rounds on weekends or official holidays.

ON CALL

There will be no formal call during the rotation. Bedside consults are usually performed by the entire clinical toxicology service (attending, PharmD fellows, other rotators) first thing in the morning during the week, if requested by the ED or admitting service. If there is a request for a bedside consult after hours, and you would like to participate, please provide your pager number and an effort to contact you will be made.

MONTHLY

All residents, fellows and medical students are required to give a 30 minute presentation on PowerPoint about a toxicology topic selected in consultation with Dr. Seifert.

There will generally be a journal club scheduled once a month, during a working lunch hour. All residents, fellows and medical students who are available are required to attend and participate by reading the article ahead of time and being prepared to discuss the issues raised.

Toxicology Goals and Objectives as well as an exercise in accessing toxicologic information will be handed out at the beginning of the rotation. You are expected to answer the questions over the course of your rotation and to read approximately one chapter a day. Access to the electronic version of Goldfrank's Toxicology textbook is

available, as well as to hard copies and electronic versions of that and other toxicology references.

Additional educational opportunities occur during the month, including the weekly emergency medicine lecture series and M&M on Wednesdays at 1 pm (2ACC Conference Room), OMI difficult case conference on Tuesday afternoons (3:30 at OMI), Pharmacy and Therapeutics committee (monthly, third Thursday) , lectures in team-taught College of Pharmacy courses, and others. UNM Residents and students are expected to attend UNM EM resident conferences on Wednesdays.

IM, FP, and Pediatric residents and Pulmonary/Critical Care Fellows will be excused for clinic. Please notify Dr. Seifert of the schedule at the beginning of the rotation.

Before you leave, please go to the link on one of our computers for the course evaluation. You can also access it from the homepage of the Emergency Medicine Department at UNM. Or access the internet and go to this site http://hsc.unm.edu/ememed/NMPDIC_Evaluation.asp