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Medical Grand Rounds

- Thursdays, 12:00 – 1:00 pm, in Hollander Auditorium
- Specialty conferences for attendings and housestaff on a prearranged subject.
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Subspecialty Conference

- 12:00 - 1:00 pm
- Luncheon conferences arranged with specialty representative at Bridgeport Hospital on a prearranged topic or case.
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Ward Teaching Rounds

- Wednesdays and Fridays, 10:30 – 11:45 pm, on 9th Floor
- Standard ward rounds with the same housestaff, two times per week for four weeks. Yale faculty are not expected to be Attendings of record at these sessions.
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In the past, Teaching Attending Rounds at many institutions have revolved around case-presentations followed by didactics. With the mandate to evaluate residents in all of the ACGME competencies, more creative use of every teaching opportunity is required. Venues cannot be expected to provide data on housestaff performance in all six competencies (i.e. Patient Care, Professionalism, Medical Knowledge, Patient-based Learning, System-based Learning, Communication Skills). The competencies Bridgeport Hospital has chosen to emphasize for Teaching Attending Rounds are:

1. Medical Communication Skills - Verbal: The Teaching Attending is expected to assure that each member of the group is able to present a "full presentation" (i.e. a formal presentation as would be given in a CPC) and a "five minute presentation" (i.e. the guts of the case to be communicated for daily work rounds and to consultants). The ideal is to comment as much on the quality of the presentation in Teaching Rounds as on the specific medical concepts of the case. Written: The Teaching Attending is expected to check at least one H&P and one SOAP for each trainee to assure that they are of sufficient quality.

2. Bedside Skills (Encompasses medical knowledge, patient care, professionalism and communications/interpersonal skills) - With each case, we ask that Attendings take the residents to the bedside to "examine" a resident skill. We have created special evaluation forms for this purpose. Ideally, for each case, the

Attending will pick one trainee to be the "point" person (i.e. get a focused history or perform an organ-specific examination). Then the group goes to the bedside and observes that trainee doing the exercise. The Attending can then model optimal performance at the bedside, in a constructive fashion, so all trainees on the team will benefit. That trainee then receives a copy of the evaluation of their performance in the exercise (CEX). Obviously, if the exercise is obtaining a focused history, the resident's knowledge (i.e. hypothesis generation/ testing in the interview) and interpersonal communication skills are evaluated and the exercise should occur before hearing the entire case in Rounds. If it is a focused physical examination, then the exercise should be performed after the team hears the case presentation.

In the first six months of the academic year, we expect that more time will be required honing communication skills, so there will be time for only 1-3 cases/day (depending on whether you are concentrating on a full or 5-minute presentation). In the second half of each year, we hope that 3-4 cases/session will be covered, predominantly via 5-minute presentations.

The residents love their Teaching Attendings to share their subspecialty expertise. We only ask that Attendings strike a balance of approaching problems with a subspecialist's eyes and emphasizing general medical skills. We are very grateful for your participation in our program.

Travel time from Yale approx. 45 minutes

From the Merritt Parkway, (Route 15)

Traveling North (from New York)

Take Exit 49S to Route 25 South. Take Exit 5 to Boston Avenue. Turn right on Boston Avenue. Continue for 1.8 miles. Turn right on Mill Hill Avenue. Turn right on Grant Street. Visitor parking garage is on left.

Traveling South (from New Haven)

Take Exit 52 to Route 8 South. Take Exit 5 to Boston Avenue. Turn right on Boston Avenue. Continue for 1.8 miles. Turn right on Mill Hill Avenue. Turn right on Grant Street. Visitor parking garage is on left.

From the Connecticut Turnpike, I-95

Traveling North (from New York)

Take Exit 29 -Stratford / Seaview Avenue. At the end of the ramp, take a left onto Seaview Avenue. Continue on Seaview Avenue for 1 mile. Turn right on Barnum Avenue. Turn left on Central Avenue. Turn right on Grant Street. Visitor parking garage is on right.

Traveling South (from New Haven)

Take Exit 32. Turn left at the end of the ramp on Linden Avenue. Turn right on West Broad Street. Turn left on Barnum Avenue. Turn right on Boston Avenue. Continue for 1.2 miles. Turn left on Mill Hill Avenue. Turn right on Grant Street. Visitor parking garage is on left.