

Mid-Clerkship Self-Assessment by Medical Student, 2020-2021

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Recommend and interpret common diagnostic and screening tests.	Recommend first-line cost-effective screening and diagnostic tests for routine health maintenance and common disorders.	Unable to recommend a standard set of screening or diagnostic tests. Demonstrates frustration at cost containment efforts.	Recommends tests for common conditions. Does not consider harm, costs, guidelines, or patient resources. Does not consider patient-specific screening unless instructed.	Considers costs. Identifies guidelines for standard tests. Repeats diagnostic tests at intervals that are too frequent or too lengthy.	Recommends key, reliable, cost-effective screening and diagnostic tests. Applies patient-specific guidelines.
	Provide rationale for decision to order tests, taking into account preand posttest probability and patient preference.	Cannot provide a rationale for ordering tests.	Recommends unnecessary tests or tests with low pretest probability. Neglects patient's preferences.	Understands pre- and posttest probability. Neglects impact of false positive or negative results. Aware of patient's preferences.	Provides individual rationale based on patient's preferences, demographics, and risk factors. Incorporates sensitivity, specificity, and prevalence in interpreting tests. Explains how results influence diagnosis and evaluation.
	Interpret results of basic studies and understand the implication and urgency of the results.	Can only interpret results based on normal values from the lab. Does not discern urgent from nonurgent results.	Misinterprets insignificant or explainable abnormalities. Does not know how to respond to urgent test results. Requires supervisor to discuss results with patient.	Recognizes need for assistance to evaluate urgency of results and communicate these to patient.	Distinguishes insignificant from clinically important findings. Discerns urgent from nonurgent results. Seeks help for interpretation of tests beyond scope of knowledge.
EPA 4		1	2	3	4
Enter and discuss orders and prescriptions.	Compose orders efficiently and effectively verbally, on paper, and electronically.	Unable to compose or enter electronic orders or write prescriptions (or does so for the wrong patient or using an incorrect order set). Does not follow established protocols for placing orders.	Does not recognize when to tailor or deviate from the standard order set. Orders tests excessively (uses shotgun approach). May be overconfident, does not seek review of orders.	Recognizes when to tailor or deviate from the standard order set. Completes simple orders. Demonstrates working knowledge of how orders are processed in the workplace. Asks questions, accepts feedback.	Routinely recognizes when to tailor standard order set. Can complete complex orders requiring changes in dose or frequency. Waits for contingent results before ordering more tests. Recognizes limitations and seeks help.
	Demonstrate an understanding of the patient's condition that underpins the provided orders.	Lacks basic knowledge needed to guide orders. Demonstrates defensiveness when questioned.	Has difficulty filtering and synthesizing information to prioritize diagnostics and therapies. Unable to articulate the rationale behind orders.	Articulates rationale behind orders, May not take into account subtle signs or exam findings guiding orders.	Recognizes patterns, takes into account the patient's condition when ordering diagnostics and/or therapeutics. Explains how test results influence clinical decision making.
	Recognize and avoid errors by attending to patient-specific factors, using resources, and appropriately responding to safety alerts.	Discounts information about drug-drug interactions. Fails to adjust doses when advised to do so by others. Ignores alerts.	Underuses information that could help avoid errors. Relies excessively on technology to highlight drug-drug interactions and/or risks (e.g., smartphone or EHR suggests an interaction, but learner cannot explain relevance).	May inconsistently apply safe prescription-writing habits such as double-check of patient's weight, age, renal function, comorbidities, dose and/or interval, and pharmacogenetics when applicable.	Routinely practices safe habits when writing or entering prescriptions or orders. Responds to EHR's safety alerts and understands rationale. Uses electronic resources to inform safe order writing.
	Discuss planned orders and prescriptions with team, patients, and families.	Places orders and/or prescriptions that directly conflict with patient's and family's health or cultural beliefs.	Places orders without communicating with others; uses unidirectional style ("Here is what we are doing..."). Does not consider cost of orders or patient's preferences.	Modifies plan based on patient's preferences. May describe cost-containment efforts as externally mandated and interfering with the doctor-patient relationship.	Enters orders that reflect bidirectional communication with patients, families, and team. Considers the costs of orders and the patient's ability and willingness to proceed with the plan.

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Document a clinical encounter in the patient record.	Prioritize and synthesize information into a cogent narrative for a variety of clinical encounters (e.g., admission, progress, pre- and post-op, and procedure notes; informed consent; discharge summary).	Provides incoherent documentation.	Misses key information. Uses a template with limited ability to adjust or adapt based on audience, context, or purpose.	Provides key information but may include unnecessary details or redundancies. Demonstrates ability to adjust or adapt to audience, context, or purpose.	Provides a verifiable cogent narrative without unnecessary details or redundancies. Adjusts and adapts documentation based on audience, context, or purpose (e.g., admission, progress, pre- and post-op, and procedure notes; informed consent; discharge summary).
	Follow documentation requirements to meet regulations and professional expectations.	Copies and pastes information without verification or attribution. Does not provide documentation when required. Provides illegible documentation.	Produces documentation that has errors or does not fulfill institutional requirements. Has difficulty meeting turnaround expectations, resulting in team members lacking documentation.	Recognizes and corrects errors in documentation. Meets needed turnaround time for standard documentation. May not document primary or secondary sources important to encounter.	Provides accurate, legible, timely documentation that includes institutionally required elements. Documents in the patient's record role in team-care activities. Documents use of primary and secondary sources necessary to fill in gaps.
	Document a problem list, differential diagnosis, and plan supported through clinical reasoning that reflects patient's preferences.	Includes inappropriate judgmental language. Documents potentially damaging information without attribution.	Does not document a problem list, differential diagnosis, plan, clinical reasoning, or patient's preferences. Does not include rationale for plan. Seeks limited help to fill gaps in knowledge, skill.	Documents a problem list, differential diagnosis, plan, and clinical reasoning. Interprets basic tests inconsistently. Seeks help to develop and document management plans. Solicits and records patient's preferences.	Documents a problem list, differential diagnosis, and plan. Interprets laboratory values accurately. Identifies key problems. Communicates bidirectionally to develop and record plan aligned with patient's preferences.
EPA 6		1	2	3	4
Provide an oral presentation of a clinical encounter.	Present personally gathered and verified information, acknowledging areas of uncertainty.	Fabricates information when unable to respond to questions. Reacts defensively when queried.	Gathers evidence incompletely or exhaustively. Fails to verify information. Does not obtain sensitive information.	Acknowledges gaps in knowledge, adjusts to feedback, and then obtains additional information.	Presents personally verified and accurate information, even when sensitive. Acknowledges gaps in knowledge, reflects on uncertainty, seeks information to clarify or refine presentation.
	Provide an accurate, concise, well-organized oral presentation.	Presents in a disorganized and incoherent fashion.	Delivers a presentation that is not concise or that wanders. Presents a story that is imprecise because of omitted or extraneous information.	Delivers a presentation organized around the chief concern. When asked, can identify pertinent positives and negatives that support hypothesis. Supports management plans with limited information.	Filters, synthesizes, and prioritizes information into a concise and well-organized presentation. Integrates pertinent positives and negatives to support hypothesis. Provides sound arguments to support the plan.
	Adjust the oral presentation to meet the needs of the receiver.	Presents information in a manner that frightens family.	Follows a template. Uses acronyms and medical jargon. Projects too much or too little confidence.	When prompted, can adjust presentation in length and complexity to match situation and receiver of information.	Tailors length and complexity of presentation to situation and receiver of information. Conveys appropriate self-assurance to put patient and family at ease.
	Demonstrate respect for patient's privacy and autonomy.	Disregards patient's privacy and autonomy.	Lacks situational awareness when presenting sensitive patient information. Does not engage patients and families in discussions of care.	Incorporates patient's preferences and privacy needs.	Respects patients' privacy and confidentiality by demonstrating situational awareness when discussing patients. Engages in shared decision making by actively soliciting patient's preferences.

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Form clinical questions and retrieve evidence to advance patient care.	Combine curiosity, objectivity, and scientific reasoning to develop a well-formed, focused, pertinent clinical question (ASK).	Does not reconsider approach to a problem, ask for help, or seek new information.	With prompting, translates information needs into clinical questions.	Seeks assistance to translate information needs into well-formed clinical questions.	Identifies limitations and gaps in personal knowledge. Develops knowledge guided by well-formed clinical questions.
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	Demonstrate awareness and skill in using information technology to access accurate and reliable medical information (ACQUIRE).	Declines to use new information technologies.	Uses vague or inappropriate search strategies, leading to an unmanageable volume of information.	Employs different search engines and refines search strategies to improve efficiency of evidence retrieval.	Identifies and uses available databases, search engines, and refined search strategies to acquire relevant information.
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	Demonstrate skill in appraising sources, content, and applicability of evidence (APPRAISE).	Refuses to consider gaps and limitations in the literature or apply published evidence to specific patient care.	Accepts findings from clinical studies without critical appraisal. With assistance, applies evidence to common medical conditions.	Judges evidence quality from clinical studies. Applies published evidence to common medical conditions.	Uses levels of evidence to appraise literature and determines applicability of evidence. Seeks guidance in understanding subtleties of evidence.
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	Apply findings to individuals and/or patient panels; communicate findings to the patient and team, reflecting on process and outcomes (ADVISE).	Does not discuss findings with team. Does not determine or discuss outcomes and/or process, even with prompting.	Communicates with rigid recitation of findings, using medical jargon or displaying personal biases. Shows limited ability to connect outcomes to the process by which questions were identified and answered and findings were applied.	Applies findings based on audience needs. Acknowledges ambiguity of findings and manages personal bias. Connects outcomes to process by which questions were identified and answered.	Applies nuanced findings by communicating the evidence with appropriate citation. Reflects on ambiguity, outcomes, and the process by which questions were answered and findings applied.
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EPA 8		1	2	3	4
Give or receive a patient handover to transition care responsibility.	Document and update an electronic handover tool and apply this to deliver a structured verbal handover (transmitter).	Inconsistently uses standardized format or uses alternative tool. Provides information that is incomplete and/or includes multiple errors in patient information.	Uses but inconsistently updates electronic handover tool. Requires clarification from others to prioritize information. Provides patient information that is disorganized, too detailed, and/or too brief.	Consistently updates electronic handover tool with mostly relevant information, applying a standardized template. Adjusts patient information for context and audience. May omit relevant information or present irrelevant information.	Consistently updates electronic handover tool with clear, relevant, and succinct documentation. Adapts and applies all elements of a standardized template. Presents a verbal handover that is prioritized, relevant, and succinct.
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	Conduct handover using communication strategies known to minimize threats to transition of care (transmitter).	Is frequently distracted. Carries out handover with inappropriate timing and context.	Requires assistance to minimize interruptions and distractions. Demonstrates minimal situational awareness.	Requires assistance with time management. Focuses on own handover tasks with some awareness of other's needs.	Avoids interruptions and distractions. Manages time effectively. Demonstrates situational awareness.
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	Provide succinct verbal communication conveying illness severity, situational awareness, action planning, and contingency planning (transmitter).	Communication lacks all key components of standardized handover.	Inconsistently communicates key components of the standardized tool. Does not provide action plan and contingency plan.	Identifies illness severity. Provides incomplete action list and contingency planning. Creates a contingency plan that lacks clarity.	Highlights illness severity accurately. Provides complete action plans and appropriate contingency plans.
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	Give or elicit feedback about handover communication and ensure closed-loop communication (transmitter and receiver).	Withholds or is defensive with feedback. Displays lack of insight on the role of feedback. Does not summarize (or repeat) key points for effective closed-loop communication.	Delivers incomplete feedback; accepts feedback when given. Does not encourage other team members to express their ideas or opinions. Inconsistently uses summary statements and/or asks clarifying questions.	Accepts feedback and adjusts. Summary statements are too elaborate. Inconsistently uses repeat-back technique.	Provides and solicits feedback regularly, listens actively, and engages in reflection. Identifies areas of improvement. Asks mutually clarifying questions, provides succinct summaries, and uses repeat-back techniques.
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EPA 9		1	2	3	4
Collaborate as a member of an inter-professional team.	Identify team members' roles and responsibilities and seek help from other members of the team to optimize health care delivery.	Does not acknowledge other members of the interdisciplinary team as important. Displays little initiative to interact with team members.	Identifies roles of other team members but does not know how or when to use them. Acts independently of input from team members, patients, and families.	Interacts with other team members, seeks their counsel, actively listens to their recommendations, and incorporates these recommendations into practice.	Effectively partners as an integrated member of the team. Articulates the contributions of other health care professionals. Actively engages with the patient and other team members to coordinate care and seamless care transition.
	Include team members, listen attentively, and adjust communication content and style to align with team-member needs.	Dismisses input from professionals other than physicians.	Communication is largely unidirectional, in response to prompts, or template driven. Has limited participation in team discussion.	Listens actively and elicits ideas and opinions from other team members.	Communicates bidirectionally; keeps team members informed and up to date. Tailors communication strategy to the situation.
	Establish and maintain a climate of mutual respect, dignity, integrity, and trust. Prioritize team needs over personal needs to optimize delivery of care. Help team members in need.	Has disrespectful interactions or does not tell the truth. Is unable to modify behavior. Puts others in position of reminding, enforcing, and resolving interprofessional conflicts.	Is typically a more passive member of the team. Prioritizes own goals over those of the team.	Integrates into team function, prioritizing team goals. Demonstrates respectful interactions and tells the truth. Remains professional and anticipates and manages emotional triggers.	Supports other team members and communicates their value to the patient and family. Anticipates, reads, and reacts to emotions to gain and maintain therapeutic alliances with others. Prioritizes team's needs over personal needs.
EPA 10		1	2	3	4
Recognize a patient requiring urgent or emergent care and initiate evaluation and management.	Recognize normal and abnormal vital signs as they relate to patient- and disease-specific factors as potential etiologies of a patient's decompensation.	Fails to recognize trends or variations of vital signs in a decompensating patient.	Demonstrates limited ability to gather, filter, prioritize, and connect pieces of information to form a patient-specific differential diagnosis in an urgent or emergent setting.	Recognizes outliers or unexpected results or data and seeks out an explanation.	Recognizes variations of patient's vital signs based on patient- and disease-specific factors. Gathers, filters, and prioritizes information related to a patient's decompensation in an urgent or emergent setting.
	Recognize severity of a patient's illness and indications for escalating care and initiate interventions and management.	Does not recognize change in patient's clinical status or seek help when a patient requires urgent or emergent care.	Misses abnormalities in patient's clinical status or does not anticipate next steps. May be distracted by multiple problems or have difficulty prioritizing. Accepts help.	Recognizes concerning clinical symptoms or unexpected results or data. Asks for help.	Responds to early clinical deterioration and seeks timely help. Prioritizes patients who need immediate care and initiates critical interventions.
	Initiate and participate in a code response and apply basic and advanced life support.	Responds to a decompensated patient in a manner that detracts from or harms team's ability to intervene.	Requires prompting to perform basic procedural or life support skills correctly. Does not engage with other team members.	Demonstrates appropriate airway and basic life support (BLS) skills. Initiates basic management plans. Seeks input or guidance from other members of the health care team.	Initiates and applies effective BLS and ACLS skills. Monitors response to initial interventions and adjusts plan accordingly. Adheres to institutional protocols for escalation of care. Uses the health care team members efficiently.
	Upon recognition of a patient's deterioration, communicate situation, clarify patient's goals of care, and update family members.	Dismisses concerns of team members (nurses, family members, etc.) about patient deterioration. Disregards patient's goals of care or code status.	Communicates in a unidirectional manner with family and health care team. Provides superfluous or incomplete information to health care team members. Does not consider patient's wishes if they differ from those of the provider.	Tailors communication and message to the audience, purpose, and context in most situations. Actively listens and encourages idea sharing from the team (including patient and family). Confirms goals of care.	Communicates bidirectionally with team and family about goals and plan, keeping them up to date. Elicits feedback from team and family regarding concerns about patient deterioration to determine next steps.
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EPA 11		1	2	3	4

Obtain informed consent for tests and/or procedures.	Describe the key elements of informed consent: indications, contraindications, risks, benefits, alternatives, and potential complications of the intervention.	Lacks basic knowledge of the intervention. Provides inaccurate or misleading information. Hands the patient a form and requests a signature.	Is complacent with informed consent due to limited understanding of importance of informed consent. Allows personal biases with intervention to influence consent process. Obtains informed consent only on the directive of others.	Lacks specifics when providing key elements of informed consent. Lacks specifics or requires prompting.	Understands and explains the key elements of informed consent. Provides complete and accurate information. Recognizes when informed consent is needed and describes it as a matter of good practice rather than as an externally imposed sanction.
	Communicate with the patient and family to ensure that they understand the intervention.	1	2	3	4
		Uses language that frightens patient and family. Disregards emotional cues. Regards interpreters as unhelpful or inefficient.	Uses medical jargon. Uses unidirectional communication; does not elicit patient's preferences. Has difficulty in attending to emotional cues. Does not consider the use of an interpreter when needed.	Notifies use of jargon and self-corrects. Elicits patient's preferences by asking questions. Recognizes emotional cues. Enlists interpreters.	Avoids medical jargon. Uses bidirectional communication to build rapport. Practices shared decision making, eliciting patient and family preferences. Responds to emotional cues in real time. Enlists interpreters collaboratively.
Display an appropriate balance of confidence and skill to put the patient and family at ease, seeking help when needed.	1	2	3	4	
		Displays overconfidence and takes actions that can have a negative effect on outcomes.	Displays a lack of confidence that increases patient stress or discomfort, or overconfidence that erodes trust. Asks questions. Accepts help.	Has difficulty articulating personal limitations such that patient and family will need reassurance from a senior colleague. Asks for help.	Demonstrates confidence commensurate with knowledge and skill so that patient and family are at ease. Seeks timely help.
EPA 12		1	2	3	4
Perform general procedures of a physician.	Demonstrate technical skills required for the procedure.	Lacks required technical skills. Fails to follow sterile technique when indicated.	Technical skills are variably applied. Completes the procedure unreliably. Uses universal precautions and aseptic technique inconsistently.	Approaches procedures as mechanical tasks to be performed and often initiated at the request of others. Struggles to adapt approach when indicated.	Demonstrates necessary preparation for performance of procedures. Correctly performs procedure on multiple occasions over time Uses universal precautions and aseptic technique consistently.
	Understand and explain the anatomy, physiology, indications, contraindications, risks, benefits, alternatives, and potential complications of the procedure.	1	2	3	4
		Displays lack of awareness of knowledge gaps.	Does not understand key issues in performing procedures, such as indications, contraindications, risks, benefits, and alternatives. Demonstrates limited knowledge of procedural complications or how to minimize them.	Describes most of these key issues in performing procedures: indications, contraindications, risks, benefits, and alternatives. Demonstrates knowledge of common procedural complications but struggles to mitigate them.	Demonstrates and applies working knowledge of essential anatomy, physiology, indications, contraindications, risks, benefits, and alternatives for each procedure. Knows and takes steps to mitigate complications of procedures.
	Communicate with the patient and family to ensure they understand pre- and post-procedural activities.	1	2	3	4
	Uses inaccurate language or presents information distorted by personal biases. Disregards patient's and family's wishes. Fails to obtain appropriate consent before performing a procedure.	Uses jargon or other ineffective communication techniques. Does not read emotional response from the patient. Does not engage patient in shared decision making.	Conversations are respectful and generally free of jargon and elicit patient's and family's wishes. When focused on the task during the procedure, may struggle to read emotional response from the patient.	Demonstrates patient-centered skills while performing procedures (avoids jargon, participates in shared decision making, considers patient's emotional response) Having accounted for the patient's and family's wishes, obtains appropriate informed consent.	
Demonstrate confidence that puts patients and families at ease.	1	2	3	4	
	Displays overconfidence and takes actions that could endanger patients or providers.	Displays a lack of confidence that increases patient's stress or discomfort, or overconfidence that erodes patient's trust if the learner struggles to perform the procedure. Accepts help when offered.	Asks for help with complications.	Seeks timely help. Has confidence commensurate with level of knowledge and skill that puts patients and families at ease.	

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EPA 13	1	2	3	4

Identify system failures and contribute to a culture of safety and improvement.	Identify and report actual and potential ("near miss") errors in care using system reporting structure (e.g., event reporting systems, chain of command policies).	Reports errors in a disrespectful or misleading manner.	Superficial understanding prevents recognition of real or potential errors.	Identifies and reports actual and potential errors. Demonstrates structured approach to describing key elements of patient safety concerns.	Identifies and reports patient safety concerns in a timely manner using existing system reporting structures (e.g., event reporting systems, chain of command policies). Speaks up to identify actual and potential errors, even against hierarchy.
	Participate in system improvement activities in the context of rotations or learning experiences.	1	2	3	4
		Displays frustration at system improvement efforts.	Passively observes system improvement activities in the context of rotations or learning experiences.	Participates in system improvement activities when prompted but may require others to point out system failures.	Actively engages in efforts to identify systems issues and their solutions.
	Engage in daily safety habits (e.g., accurate and complete documentation, including allergies and adverse reactions, medicine reconciliation, patient education, universal precautions, hand washing, isolation protocols, falls and other risk assessments, standard prophylaxis, time-outs).	1	2	3	4
	Places self or others at risk of injury or adverse event.	Requires prompts for common safety behaviors.	Demonstrates common safety behaviors.	Engages in daily safety habits with only rare lapses.	
Admit one's own errors, reflect on one's contribution, and develop an individual improvement plan.	1	2	3	4	
	Avoids discussing or reporting errors; attempts to cover up errors. Demonstrates defensiveness or places blame.	Requires prompts to reflect on own errors and their underlying factors. May not recognize own fatigue or may be afraid to tell supervisor when fatigued.	Identifies and reflects on own contribution to errors but needs help developing an improvement plan.	Identifies and reflects on the element of personal responsibility for errors. Recognizes causes of lapses, such as fatigue, and modifies behavior or seeks help.	

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