

Longitudinal Nutrition Curriculum

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	August	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	
YEAR 1	DISCOVERY PHASE					R E C E S S	DISCOVERY PHASE			R E C E S S	DISCOVERY PHASE		R E C E S S
		OMS	P1 6+1 weeks	P2 5+1 weeks	Blood, Immunity, and Infection 4 weeks		Blood, Immunity, and Infection 3 weeks	Skin & Musculoskeletal System 5+1 weeks	Nervous System and Behavior 5 weeks		Nervous System and Behavior 3+1 weeks	Gastrointestinal System 5 +1 weeks	
	Pathways						Pathways				Pathways		

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P1

Introduction to vitamins
Oxidative stress and vitamins C, E, D, A
B complex vitamins
Vitamin conference
Hypercholesterolemia
Dietary macronutrients
Vitamin B12 and iron
Vitamin K

P2

Principles of Nutrition (dietary composition, kwashiorkor, marasmus)
Dietary supplements
Drug/nutrient interactions (vitamin K)
Food insecurity

BII

Diet, dysbiosis and the microbiome
Iron absorption and vitamin C
Megaloblastic anemia

SMS

Nutrition and Skin Findings (scurvy, zinc deficiency, pellagra)
Sarcopenia and Body Composition
Dietary management of gout

GI

Nutrient digestion
Micronutrient deficiency
Celiac disease and the gluten free diet
Refeeding syndrome
Disordered eating
Pernicious anemia
Malabsorption syndromes and lactase deficiency
Short bowel syndrome
Enteral and Parenteral Nutrition
Cancer nutrition
Obesity and Steatotic liver disease
Pathophysiology of obesity
Obesity complications
Obesity and diet and lifestyle
recommendations
Medications for obesity
Bariatric nutrition

YEAR 2	DISCOVERY PHASE						RECESS	DISCOVERY PHASE			EXPLORATION PHASE		
	RECESS	SS1	Cardiovascular System	Respiratory System	Urinary System	SS2		Endocrine and Reproductive Systems	STEP 1 (5 weeks)	EO	Clerkship; Integrated Unit 1 (12 weeks)	PCHC	Clerkship; Integrated Unit 2 (4 weeks)
Pathways							Pathways						

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CV

Dietary treatments for hypertension
DASH diet
Niacin
Omega 3 fatty acids

RESP

Nutrition
Complications of Cystic Fibrosis (fat soluble vitamins, malabsorption)

Urinary

Renal Nutrition (protein intake, potassium, phosphorus, nutrition labels)
Diet prevention of kidney stones

Endo/Repro

Obesity (hormones that regulate appetite)
Dietary management of gestational diabetes
Nutrition complications of premature birth

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Family Medicine Clerkship

- Food Insecurity Module
 - Define Food Insecurity, recognizing it as a continuum of experiences that are chronic or recurrent
 - Recite a validated screening tool to identify Food Insecurity
 - Describe the epidemiology of Food Insecurity on the local, state, and national levels
 - Recognize that certain populations are at a higher risk of experiencing food insecurity
 - Identify health conditions correlated with food insecurity in children, adults, and elderly
 - Recognize "difficult choices" that are made in the context of food insecurity
 - Apply, in a simulated environment, clinical interview skills to assess food insecurity including but not limited to: use of the 2-question screening tool, exploratory questions, and assessment of severity of Food Insecurity
 - Utilize empathetic statements in the simulated clinical environment to demonstrate support and build trust
 - Name local and federal resources that address food insecurity
 - Generate an "Action Plan" for simulated patient with food insecurity using online resources
- Treating Obesity Using Motivational Interviewing
 - Review the rationale of motivational interviewing (MI)
 - Describe an abbreviated method of applying MI for weight loss
 - Discuss the best evidence for counseling patients for healthy living
- Hypertension Hyperlipidemia, Coronary Artery Disease Case Session
 - Describe lifestyle/environmental/nutritional factors involved in the non-pharmacologic treatment of hypertension
- Newborn Care
 - Outline the care of the newborn including preventive health needs, feeding, sleep patterns, and hydration
- Diabetes Case Session
 - Identify first line treatment for diabetes including recommended medications and lifestyle modification

Pediatrics Clerkship

- Nutrition in Infancy
 - Identify the nutritional differences between breastmilk and formula
 - Compare some of the main and specialty types of formula and their indications for use
 - Reference different types of nipples for milk delivery
 - Differentiate between breastmilk jaundice and breastfeeding jaundice
 - Explain why iron and vitamin D may be indicated as supplements in an infant diet
 - Judge how much milk an infant needs at different ages/stages, if an infant is receiving adequate nutrition, and when to be concerned
 - Explain how and when to start solid foods in an infant
 - Discuss when to introduce potential allergens to an infant's diet
- Nutrition in Children and Adolescents
 - Describe strategies for families to use if their child is a picky eater or not interested in eating
 - Explain the risk factors and classic presentation of common nutritional deficiencies (iron, vitamin D, kwashiorkor, vitamin C, vitamin K)
 - Identify concerning findings for eating disorders
 - Identify reasons that a patient with an eating disorder requires hospitalization
 - Describe key components of an inpatient disordered eating protocol
 - Implement of a toolbox of counseling strategies for children, adolescents, and their families surrounding weight and healthy eating habits
 - Demonstrate familiarity with key components of diets used to manage diabetes, hypertension, and obesity in children

Populations and Community Health Clerkship

- Food Insecurity
 - Develop a deeper understanding of food insecurity, recognize complex correlations between food insecurity and health
 - Engage with local organizations addressing food insecurity

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Page 3: Supplemental Nutrition Content

Culinary Medicine Optional Enrichment Elective: We have a culinary medicine elective for medical students. They meet in a teaching kitchen 5 times each semester and cook a nutritious meal. Then, while eating, they participate in a lecture or discussion with a nutrition expert on a topic related to what they are eating.

Hands-On Nutritional Supplement Tasting: We also have an opportunity for medical students to taste various nutrition supplements during their GI block. This is done in collaboration with one of our hospital registered dietitians. They sample 6 commonly prescribed liquid nutrition supplements, evaluate the supplement taste and learn about writing nutrition prescriptions.