

December 2018

LPP 1 Preceptor Update

Hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving! By now most of you have had a few sessions with your student or students. I've included some information below to give you a sense of what the students have been exposed to at this point in the curriculum.

The 1st year students continue to practice their interview skills including getting a chief complaint and history. They've also had a session on health disparities and inequality 11/15/18 and soon to come are the following sessions:

- Taking a sexual history 11/29/18
- Interviewing adolescents 12/6/18
- Doing a geriatric health interview 12/13/18.

Regarding their physical diagnosis skills, they just started the week of Thanksgiving with an introduction to using the stethoscope, taking a blood pressure, pulse, and respiratory rate. On the horizon are the following sessions:

- Heart exam and vascular (checking different pulses) 11/27/18 and 11/28/18
- Lungs and breast (the latter using a plastic model) 12/4/18 and 12/5/18

The semester is winding down with the students focused on their final exams, so they will likely not have time for too many more sessions this semester.

If you have not done this yet, try to find some time at the beginning of next semester to sit down with your student and reflect on the first semester and think about goals for next semester. Also try to schedule the sessions for the spring (Jan through mid-May).

You will be receiving a link to OASIS in December to fill out a student evaluation. The student will also be filling out a self-evaluation. Use these evaluations to discuss your student's progress and provide feedback.

I hope this information is helpful and again I've attached a link to our course where you can find most of the information you need: <http://www.umassmed.edu/oume/curriculum/longitudinal-preceptor-program/>

Thank you again for taking the time to teach our students. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Please email myself Peggy.Wu@umassmemorial.org or the course coordinator, Ann Perla Anne.Perla@umassmed.edu, with any questions or ideas on how we can make this experience better for you and our students.

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