

CHILD ABUSE, NEGLECT AND SEXUAL ABUSE

Credit: Selective B or Elective

Location: LAC+USC Medical Center **Revised:** 3/5/09

Applications will be accepted beginning February 1st of Year III on a first-come, first-serve basis

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COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Students will be able to:

1. Assess cases of child abuse.
2. Interview more effectively.
3. Complete medical sections of physical or sexual abuse reporting form.
4. Collect and label venereal disease cultures.
5. Complete a forensic sexual assault kit.
6. Describe a multidisciplinary assessment of children in foster care.
7. Create a case assessment and treatment plan for children in foster care.

REPORT TO: Taper Center, 2nd floor at 9 a.m.

PREREQUISITE: Pediatrics Clerkship

DURATION: 4 weeks

DATES OFFERED: Variable

Rotation scheduled: to begin any Monday

SUPERVISION:

100% Faculty

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 1

VISITING STUDENTS: Yes

DESCRIPTION:

This experience, for medical practitioners, is intended to improve diagnostic skills in recognizing, examining and reporting children suspected of having been physically or sexually abused.

EVALUATION:

Students will be given the objectives and requirements on the first day of the rotation. Students will be evaluated on their performance by faculty based on direct observation and quality of formal presentations. Feedback will be given to each student on a regular ongoing basis; when they are observed with patients, through review of history and physicals, write-ups and presentations.

***Selective Attendance and Illness Policy**

In order to insure adequate clinical exposure, no more than 3 days of excused absences (to include official Holidays) can be accepted during a selective. This policy does not imply that absences are guaranteed; absences may be excused at the discretion of the faculty. Absence due to illness must be reported to the faculty or his/her designee as soon as possible. In case of extended absence (2 days or more), a note from a physician (who is not a relative) is required and the absence will be reported to the Office of Student Affairs. A physician note may be requested for any absence, at the discretion of the faculty.

Students will generally be required to make up days before a passing grade can be assigned. All absences must be excused and any planned absence must be registered with the preceptor prior to the first day of the selective. Students should take vacation time if he/she anticipates a need for more than 3 absences during a selective. USMLE and BLS/ACLS will not be considered excused absences.