ADVANCED OTOLARYNGOLOGY – HEAD AND NECK SURGERY

Credit: Selective C or Elective  Location: USC University Hospital  Revised: 2/24/11

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

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REPORT TO: Please contact Coordinator a week prior to starting rotation.

PREREQUISITE: Surgery I & II

DURATION: 4 weeks

DATES OFFERED: All Year
Rotation scheduled: to begin any Monday

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 2

VISITING STUDENTS: Yes

SUPERVISION:
60% Faculty
30% Residents
10% Fellows

DESCRIPTION:
A 4-week selective is offered to provide students with advanced exposure to clinical Otolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery. Each student spends four weeks at USC University Hospital and LAC+USC Medical Center. Emphasis is placed on developing skills to perform an ear, nose, and throat, and head and neck examination, participation in clinic and in-patient management, and assistance of otolaryngologic surgery.

EVALUATION:
No formal written or oral tests given. Student’s performance is assessed by the faculty who work with them as for their effort, proficiency and behavior. All the staff will evaluate the individual student and the preceptor will summarize the overall performance in the student evaluation form. Students who have problems will be counseled as needed.

*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 prior to 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.