REPRODUCTIVE ENDOCRINOLOGY AND INFERTILITY

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PREREQUISITE: Ob/Gyn Clerkship

DURATION: 4 weeks

DATES OFFERED: July - April
ROTATION START DATES: 7/29/19, 8/26, 10/7, 11/4, 12/2, 1/6/20, 2/3, 3/2 and 4/6

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 1

VISITING STUDENTS: Yes

SUPERVISION:
50% Fellows
30% Faculty
20% Residents

DESCRIPTION:
The practice of reproductive endocrinology and infertility includes knowledge of disorders of development, disorders of infertility or failure in human reproduction, hormonal alterations involving the reproductive axis and disorders related to abnormal hormonal patterns involving the reproductive axis.

EVALUATION:
At the start of the rotation each student will meet with the course director or fellow to discuss the expected goals of the clerkship. The course director will write the medical student evaluation after consultation with all faculty, fellows and residents who worked with the student. Each medical student will have an exit interview with the course director or fellow in order to receive feedback on his/her strengths, areas which need improvement and the clerkship grade.

*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.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:
Students will be able to:

1. Describe the pathophysiology, evaluation and treatment of the following complaints and disorder: abnormal uterine bleeding, amenorrhea – primary, amenorrhea – secondary, galactorrhea and hyperprolactinemia, androgen excess, and polycystic ovary syndrome.

2. Describe the pathophysiology, evaluation and treatment of infertility due to: anovulation, tubal factor and male factor.

3. The medical student should develop an understanding of the pathophysiology, evaluation and management of the menopause, perimenopause, and postmenopause, including risks and benefits of hormone replacement therapy.