PEDIATRIC NEPHROLOGY

Credit: Selective B or Elective
Location: Children’s Hospital of Los Angeles
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Applications will be accepted beginning March 1st of Year III on a first-come, first-serve basis

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McAllister Building, 5th floor at 8:30 a.m.

PREREQUISITE: Pediatrics Clerkship

DURATION: 4 or 6 weeks

DATES OFFERED: All Year except July
Rotations are scheduled: To begin any Monday

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 2

VISITING STUDENTS: No

DESCRIPTION:
Under close supervision by the staff and residents of the service, patients are evaluated in the admitting area and walk-in clinic. Experience is gained in diagnosis, treatment and disposition of many emergency psychiatric problems. The student is also expected to participate in departmental and divisional conferences and seminars. Daily schedule is flexible and to be arranged with preceptor. There is no fixed weekly schedule, but students are expected to be available during working hours.

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 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 basic concepts applicable to pediatric nephrology.
2. Discuss the diagnosis and treatment of pediatric patients with kidney disease.
3. Describe how an interdisciplinary team works in nephrology.
4. Describe the basics of clinical decision making that integrates costs.
5. Discuss the kidney transplant program; the systematic process of cadaveric and/or live related workups that result in renal transplantation.