# Faculty of Medicine General Internal Medicine Training Program Rotation Specific Objectives

### AMBULATORY

This rotation will focus specifically on solidifying the skills necessary to function as an attending in the ambulatory setting. This will include ensuring adequate follow-up post discharge from acute care, longitudinally managing chronic medical comorbidities, and conducting comprehensive general internal medicine assessments of patients referred by non-medical specialties.

#### Medical expert

- Demonstrate rationale and risk appropriate use of diagnostic investigation and medical treatment.
- Arrange appropriately timed transition of care back to the referring or primary care physician.
- Perform a complete assessment on all referred patients using a generalist approach.
- Balance the long-term management of multiple co-morbidities, including careful consideration of drug interactions, dose adjustment in organ dysfunction, and avoidance of polypharmacy. In particular disease such as Diabetes, Hypertension, Chronic Kidney Disease, COPD, CHF and CAD.
- Perform an occupational assessment in patients with chronic disease to ascertain their functional capability for employment and independent living.

## Communicator

• Generate a clear and concise written record of every patient encounter that provides the family physician with guidance for continuing management.

## Collaborator

- Work with family physicians to ensure long term follow-up Scholar.
- By utilizing each patient encounter identify personal knowledge gaps and actively seek to address these.

#### Leader

• Employ best evidence in patient safety to maximize quality of care through clinic organization and development and monitoring of quality indicators.

#### Health Advocate

- Promote primary and secondary prevention counselling to individual patients.
- In the ambulatory setting, facilitate patients in navigating the health system relevant to specific health issue across the continuum of care.