Faculty of Medicine General Internal Medicine Training Program Rotation Specific Objectives

COMMUNITY

This rotation will focus specifically on solidifying the skills necessary to function as an attending in the community setting. This involves caring for acute care patients in a non-teaching setting, stabilizing critical patients for transfer as required, and managing a diverse clinical practice with wide scope of practice including general medicine consultations and diagnostics.

Medical expert

- Demonstrate appropriate management of complex conditions prevalent in NL (diabetes, ISHD, CVD, and COPD) where subspecialists are not available.
- Assess, stabilize and triage critically ill patients and identify the need for transfer to a definitive care setting.

Communicator

- Facilitate discussion with patients and family on issues such as goals of care and disposition of the patient back to the community.
- Effectively communicate the risk and benefits of any proposed diagnostic or therapeutic procedures such as chemotherapy, dialysis, endoscopy and echocardiography when obtaining informed consent.
- If harm occurs, utilize disclosure policies and practices to inform the patient and/or family.

Collaborator

• Communicate with family physicians and other health professionals to ensure appropriate outpatient management and follow-up.

Scholar

• By utilizing each patient encounter identify personal knowledge gaps and actively seek to address these.

Leader

• Use evidence informed safe practices to prevent patient safety incidents.

Professional

• Respectfully interact with patients, families, trainees, colleagues, and all contributors to the health system.