

Supplemental Guide: Pediatric Nephrology



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Milestones Supplemental Guide

This document provides additional guidance and examples for the Pediatric Nephrology Milestones. This is not designed to indicate any specific requirements for each level, but to provide insight into the thinking of the Milestone Work Group.

Included in this document is the intent of each Milestone and examples of what a Clinical Competency Committee (CCC) might expect to be observed/assessed at each level. Also included are suggested assessment models and tools for each subcompetency, references, and other useful information.

Review this guide with the CCC and faculty members. As the program develops a shared mental model of the Milestones, consider creating an individualized guide (Supplemental Guide Template available) with institution/program-specific examples, assessment tools used by the program, and curricular components.

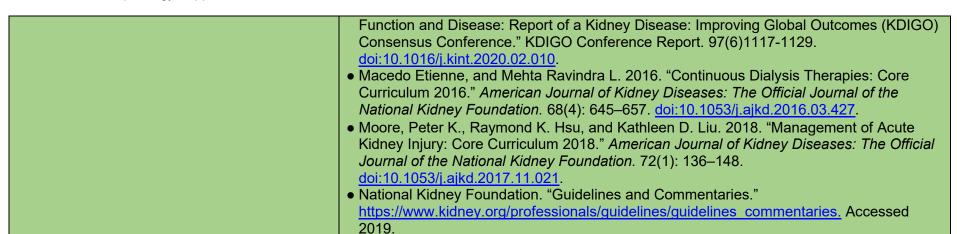
Additional tools and references, including the Milestones Guidebook, Clinical Competency Committee Guidebook, and Milestones Guidebook for Residents and Fellows, are available at the end of this document as well as on the Resources page of the Milestones section of the ACGME website.

Patient Care 1: Organization and Prioritization of Patient Care Overall Intent: To organize and appropriately prioritize patient needs to optimize patient outcomes	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Organizes patient care responsibilities by focusing on a subset of patients	Sees a patient for suspected hypertension and measures the blood pressure
Level 2 Organizes and prioritizes the simultaneous care of multiple patients, with guidance	 Manages multiple patients simultaneously, but needs guidance on triaging based on acuity and urgency While evaluating a child with unilateral hydronephrosis, is called about a new patient with severe hypertension and new onset seizures admitted to the intensive care unit; excuses self from the patient's room and alerts the attending about the new patient and is instructed to promptly assess the patient with hypertension
Level 3 Independently and efficiently prioritizes patient care based on level of acuity and available resources	 While evaluating a child with unilateral hydronephrosis and a patient with severe hypertension and new onset seizures arrives to the intensive care unit, excuses self from the first patient's room and promptly proceeds to assess the patient with hypertension
Level 4 Independently anticipates patient care needs and utilizes available resources to optimize patient care when volume and acuity approach the capacity of the team	 While covering a busy overnight service, is alerted by the intensive care unit about an incoming patient with acute kidney injury and hyperkalemia; suspects that the patient is likely to require dialysis and alerts the dialysis staff of the anticipated need advises the intensive care unit about appropriate catheter placement Delegates appropriate tasks to medical students, residents, and attendings when occupied with other high-priority tasks When discharging a postoperative transplant patient with a vesicostomy, coordinates care with the multidisciplinary team to ensure discharge readiness, including diet and medication education, catheterization supplies, home nursing, and transportation
Level 5 Serves as a role model and coach for prioritizing and delegating patient care responsibilities when patient volume and acuity are high	Leads a multidisciplinary team on rounds in an efficient and comprehensive manner, describes reasoning behind the care plan
Assessment Models or Tools	 Audit of diagnoses and numbers of patients seen per session in a clinic Direct observation Multisource feedback Self-assessment
Curriculum Mapping	
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Patient Care 2: Acute Kidney Injury (AKI) Overall Intent: To diagnose and treat acute kidney injury	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Recognizes patients with acute kidney injury with available clinical data	Is given labs from another practitioner and appropriately recognizes the diagnosis of AKI
Develops a basic diagnostic strategy, with guidance	After discussion with the attending, orders ultrasound, blood and urine chemistries, and urine sediment
Develops a basic management plan, with guidance	After discussing with the attending, considers dehydration the most likely etiology, recommends resuscitation with isotonic fluids and repeating serum chemistries
Level 2 Creates a basic differential diagnosis for patients with acute kidney injury	For a two-year-old boy who presents with nausea, vomiting, hypotension, and worsening kidney function, generates a differential diagnosis that includes pyelonephritis, glomerulonephritis, and obstructive uropathy
Interprets diagnostic test results	 Interprets an ultrasound to identify bilateral enlarged echogenic kidneys concerning for an acute process Correctly interprets a fractional excretion of sodium (FeNa)
Identifies patients who need urgent treatment, including dialysis and medication adjustment	Reviews the radiologist report findings consistent with obstructive uropathy and recommends immediate placement of a urinary catheter and close monitoring of urine output
Level 3 Formulates a comprehensive differential diagnosis for patients with acute kidney injury	For a two-year-old boy who presents with nausea, vomiting, hypotension, and worsening kidney function, recognizes that the differential diagnosis includes prerenal, postrenal and intrinsic kidney injury; includes a broader differential within each category and determines which are most likely
Independently formulates a diagnostic strategy	Recommends an ultrasound, serum and urine chemistries, and urinalysis with microscopy for patient with suspected AKI
Develops a management plan, including dialysis modality selection and/or disease-specific treatment	Recommends immediate placement of a urinary catheter and close monitoring of urine output; identifies hyperkalemia and recommends acute hemodialysis as the most appropriate modality
Level 4 Independently formulates a prioritized differential diagnosis for patients with common and uncommon causes of acute kidney injury	For a 13-year-old boy post bone marrow transplantation with declining kidney function, hypotension, and severe metabolic acidosis, formulates a differential diagnosis that includes acute tubular necrosis as well as thrombotic microangiopathy (TMA)

Independently interprets and integrates advanced diagnostic test results	Interprets functional immune testing and genetic tests for TMA in conjunction with the other specialists caring for the patient
Independently develops and implements a management plan with consideration of patient acuity and complexity	 Accurately prescribes and manages continuous renal replacement therapy to manage renal failure and acidosis Recognizes the utility of complement inhibitors for the treatment of transplant-associated thrombotic microangiopathy
Level 5 Independently formulates a prioritized differential diagnosis with consideration of rare or newly recognized causes of acute kidney injury	In a two-year-old boy status post kidney transplant for congenital nephrotic syndrome who develops new onset proteinuria and kidney injury, considers the possibility of anti-nephrin antibody mediated disease and recommends a kidney biopsy
Integrates innovative diagnostic strategies into practice	Participates in an institutional committee guiding the meaningful incorporation of urinary neutrophil gelatinase-associated lipocalin (NGAL) into clinical practice
Formulates a management plan, incorporating emerging therapies	• In a 2.5 kg baby with gastroschisis who is not a candidate for peritoneal dialysis, considers the possibility of transferring to another center that is able to provide infant-specific dialysis therapy
Assessment Models or Tools	 Case-based discussion Case conferences assessment Direct observation In-training examination Medical record (chart) review
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Patient Care 3: Chronic Dialysis Therapy Overall Intent: To develop competence in prescribing and managing patients receiving chronic dialysis therapy	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Lists the indication(s) for initiation of chronic dialysis and recognizes when chronic dialysis is inappropriate	Recognizes that hyperkalemia in a chronic dialysis patient that is not amenable to medical management is an appropriate indication for urgent dialysis therapy
Lists common complications in patients on chronic dialysis	Recognizes that hypervolemia-related hypertension that does not respond to medical management may be an indication to initiate chronic dialysis in a patient with chronic kidney disease
Identifies types of dialysis access and common access complications	Considers peritonitis in a patient with peritoneal dialysis who is reporting fever and abdominal pain
,	• Discusses fistulae and central venous catheters as options for hemodialysis access and is aware that infection and clots are common complications
Level 2 Selects appropriate dialysis modality and writes patient-specific hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis prescriptions	For a five-year-old girl on chronic peritoneal dialysis presenting with abdominal pain and fever, prepares a basic continuous cycling peritoneal dialysis prescription with antibiotics with input from the attending
Assesses for common complications of chronic dialysis	Sends fluid cell count and culture, and discusses empiric antibiotic treatment options
Performs basic assessment of dialysis accesses	• Examines peritoneal dialysis catheter tunnel assessing for exit site (and tunnel) infection
Level 3 Initiates and modifies a dialysis prescription based on patient assessment	For a five-year-old girl on chronic peritoneal dialysis presenting with hypertension and fluid overload with inadequate ultrafiltration, optimizes fill volume and increases dextrose concentration in dialysate fluid
Treats common complications of chronic dialysis	• The fellow reviews a growth chart, identifies poor linear growth despite optimal dialysis management, and recommends growth hormone supplementation; when the patient, who is being administered activated vitamin D for secondary hyperparathyroidism, later presents with worsening hypercalcemia, changes to a non-calcium-based phosphate binder, reduces the calcium in the dialysis prescription, and adjusts activated vitamin D therapy

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Develops a diagnostic and therapeutic plan for management of common access complications	 Assesses the limb and fistula and orders fistulogram to evaluate access for a 13-year-old boy on chronic hemodialysis via a left brachiocephalic arteriovenous fistula who has high venous pressures
	 For a 16-year-old girl on chronic peritoneal dialysis who has new pink-tinged effluent but is otherwise asymptomatic, provides reassurance and recommends continued monitoring when a thorough history and exam reveal menses as the most likely etiology
Level 4 Independently manages patients receiving dialysis as part of the multidisciplinary team	When a 14-year-old girl on chronic hemodialysis who is near her estimated dry weight at the beginning of the session develops cramping and tachycardia near the end of the session, discontinues ultrafiltration and reassess the patient's symptoms and hemodynamic status; subsequently reassesses dry weight with input from renal dietitian; presents the patient at the multidisciplinary care conference and leads a discussion about her management
Independently anticipates and manages common and uncommon complications of chronic dialysis	For a patient with systemic lupus erythematosus who presents with severe uremia and pericardial effusion, considers serositis and uremia as potential etiologies, and tailors dialysis therapy according to the patient's clinical course
Develops a diagnostic and therapeutic plan for management of uncommon access complications	Suspecting a blood leak, promptly terminates the hemodialysis session and assess the patient for signs of blood loss when a two-year-old girl develops bloody dialysis effluent during a chronic hemodialysis session
Level 5 Identifies the complexities of providing evidence-based equitable care to the population of patients receiving dialysis	 Takes on a leadership role in outpatient dialysis unit to review quality assurance and performance improvement (QAPI) measures for the reporting period Uses surveys and population health measures in the electronic health record (EHR) to identify inequities in school performance among the dialysis population and recommends targeted interventions
Anticipates and manages the breadth of comorbid medical and technical complications in the patient on dialysis	 Provides comprehensive dialysis care for patients with highly complex medical conditions Manages a two-year-old child with history of liver transplant in infancy secondary to biliary atresia who developed end-stage kidney disease (ESKD) and is on hemodialysis while preparing for a potential kidney transplant
Advocates at the institutional level for access preservation strategies	 Takes on a leadership role in establishing a multidisciplinary access team to review access care in ESKD patients Takes on a leadership role in establishing a "Save the Vein" initiative to improve vascular access outcomes at an institutional level
Assessment Models or Tools	Case-based discussion Case conferences assessment

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Overall Intent: To evaluate causes, diagnosis, and treatment for a patient with chronic kidney disease	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Develops a differential diagnosis of causes of chronic kidney disease	Includes congenital anomalies of the kidney and urinary tract (CAKUT) in the differential diagnosis of a male toddler presenting with repeated febrile urinary tract infection
Develops a basic diagnostic plan for patients with chronic kidney disease	Orders laboratory work (creatinine), and basic imaging, such as ultrasound, and calculates estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR)
Identifies stages of chronic kidney disease and how they relate to patient prognosis	Identifies correct stage of chronic kidney disease based on eGFR and recognizes that progression will depend on baseline eGFR, degree of proteinuria, and underlying diagnosis
Level 2 Expands the differential diagnosis	• Lists causes of CAKUT: posterior urethral valve (PUV), renal dysplasia or hypoplasia, prematurity/low birthweight associated with low nephron endowment as aggravating risk factors; orders further imaging, such as voiding cysto-urethrogram (VCUG)
Modifies the diagnostic plan based on evolving clinical data for patients with chronic kidney disease, with guidance	 Recommends avoidance of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) and starts prophylactic antibiotics Obtains input for surgical correction and ongoing bladder management with urology input (consult)
Develops a basic management plan to treat complications and slow progression of chronic kidney disease	Optimizes blood pressure control with the use of angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors (ACEI) or angiotensin II receptor blocker (ARB) medications
Level 3 Reformulates the differential diagnosis as necessary for atypical disease presentations	Identifies a more rapid progression of disease with history of prematurity or low birth weight than expected for a full-term infant with CAKUT
Identifies patients with chronic kidney disease who require more evaluation, including kidney biopsy	Orders a kidney biopsy in a patient with chronic kidney disease and unexplained dysmorphic red cells in the urine
Implements an evidence-based management plan for chronic kidney disease complications and discusses treatment options	 Develops a management plan to treat complications of chronic kidney disease including anemia, metabolic acidosis, growth failure, and secondary hyperparathyroidism Assesses for adequate iron stores, supplementing iron if necessary and initiating an erythropoiesis-stimulating agent (ESA) when indicated

Level 4 Independently diagnoses common and uncommon causes of chronic kidney disease	Recognizes CKD secondary to cystinosis
Identifies indications for ordering advanced diagnostic studies	Discusses a comprehensive management plan for a cystinosis diagnosis, specific treatment, and identifying and managing systemic complications including ophthalmologic surveillance, thyroid function, and growth failure
Independently leads the preparation for the next steps in management of progressive chronic kidney disease and integrates patient-specific goals of care	Recommends to the patient's family to place gastrostomy tube (G-tube) when indicated for nutrition, fluid, electrolyte repletion, and medication administration
Level 5 Independently recognizes rare and newly described causes of chronic kidney disease	Recognizes tubular proteinuria and suspects tubulointerstitial nephritis and uveitis syndrome (TINU) in a patient presenting with persistently elevated creatinine and history of eye pain and blurry vision
Identifies candidates for enrollment in research or novel and emerging therapies	Assists a patient with rare disease in referring to clinical trial participation
Assessment Models or Tools	 Case-based discussion Case conferences assessment Direct observation In-training examination Medical record (chart) review
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Patient Care 5: Transplant Overall Intent: To manage care of the transplant patient from pre-transplant assessment, routine monitoring after transplant, and	
complications including rejection and allograft f	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Discusses indications and contraindications for kidney transplantation	 Identifies patient size as a potential limitation to transplantation such as an 8 kg child with dysplasia on peritoneal dialysis (PD)
Lists induction and maintenance immunosuppressive and prophylaxis therapies	States mechanism of action of agents used for induction therapy in a nine-year-old male with focal segmental glomerulosclerosis (FSGS)
Recognizes the potential complications in the immediate and late post- transplant period	 Identifies steroid-free immunosuppression in a 15-year-old female with reflux nephropathy Identifies graft thrombosis as a potential etiology of primary graft nonfunction in the immediate post-operative kidney transplant setting
Level 2 Identifies patients eligible for kidney transplantation referral	 Refers a Wilms tumor patient for transplant two years following treatment of oncologic disease once eGFR is steadily at/below 60mL/min/1.73m²
Discusses the principles of routine post- transplant clinical management	Recognizes higher blood pressure goals in the immediate post-transplant period to help with graft perfusion
Generates a differential diagnosis for common complications and proposes an initial management plan	• Identifies elevated creatinine in a patient with suspected non-adherence as a presentation of acute rejection
Level 3 Evaluates patients for kidney transplantation, with guidance	Determines patient with systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) has disease quiescence for six to 12 months and has clearance from relevant subspecialties to proceed with transplant
	Recognizes that voiding dysfunction can impact allograft function and post-transplant urinary tract infection (UTI) risk and obtains urology clearance
Manages transplant recipients, with guidance	 Orders timeline-specific testing in an allograft recipient including chemistries, drug levels, and donor-specific antibodies, and counsels about routine health care maintenance, including use of sunscreen Orders and reviews infectious screening lab testing and monitors prophylactic antibiotic/antiviral treatments Identifies the targeted goals for therapeutic tacrolimus or cyclosporin levels
	Manages tacrolimus level by adjusting dose to achieve targeted goals

	Recognizes gastrointestinal complications of mycophenolate and adjusts dose of the medication
Generates a comprehensive differential diagnosis for uncommon complications and implements a management plan	 Suspects graft thrombosis or adenovirus infection in a recent kidney transplant recipient with tenderness over the allograft and gross hematuria, and orders an allograft ultrasound, urinalysis and culture, donor-specific antibodies, and biopsy when culture is negative Recognizes histoplasmosis in the differential diagnosis of a transplant recipient with fever and cough with recent travel
Level 4 Independently evaluates patients for kidney transplantation as part of the multidisciplinary team	 Evaluates an adolescent patient for repeat transplant who had allograft failure secondary to non-adherence, in collaboration with transplant psychology, social work, pharmacy and other multidisciplinary team members
Independently manages transplant recipients	 Initiates and discontinues immunoprophylaxis as indicated Provides vaccine-related recommendations Monitors donor-specific antibodies in patients at increased risk of antibody-mediated rejection
Independently diagnoses, works up, and manages complications	 Recognizes the differential diagnosis of opportunistic infections, malignancy, and microangiopathy in the above patient, and orders hemolysis labs, infectious work-up, and drug levels, and schedules a kidney biopsy Tapers immunosuppressive medications and transitions to dialysis in a patient with severe fibrosis on allograft biopsy Orders kidney biopsy in patient with de novo donor-specific antibody formation
Level 5 Manages a kidney transplant and leads a multidisciplinary team	 Creates a process improvement to address the lack of transplant referrals from a chronic kidney disease clinic and creates an educational module to increase referrals Encourages and offers screening of patient's family and friends as potential live donors
Manages transplant patient care protocols for the institution	Suggests alternate immunosuppression and options for clinical trial participation in a patient with post-transplant lymphoproliferative disorder
Assessment Models or Tools	 Case-based discussion Case conferences assessment Direct observation In-training examination Medical record (chart) review Morbidity and mortality conference presentation assessment
Curriculum Mapping	

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Patient Care 6: Fluid, Electrolytes, and Acid-Base Disorders Overall Intent: To identify, diagnose, and manage fluid and electrolyte disorders	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Creates a differential diagnosis and initial diagnostic plan	 For the differential of a 16-year-old female presenting with hyponatremia to 125 mEq/L, includes syndromes of inappropriate antidiuretic hormone secretion (SIADH) and water intoxication, and recommends checking serum and urine osmolality and urine electrolytes/creatinine, and instituting a fluid restriction
Level 2 Develops a comprehensive differential diagnosis, recommends initial diagnostic testing, and identifies patients who require urgent treatment	 For a three-year-old male presenting with decreased urine output and potassium of 8 mEq/L, recommends an electrocardiogram (EKG), intravenous calcium gluconate, and rapid-acting potassium-lowering therapies, and recognizes the need for possible dialysis
Level 3 Develops a prioritized differential diagnosis, interprets diagnostic test results, and implements a comprehensive management plan, with guidance	 For a five-year-old male presenting for medical evaluation of hypokalemia and hypomagnesemia, after a comprehensive medication review, considers genetic causes including Gitelman syndrome, follows the patient in clinic, and adjusts doses of supplements over the ensuing months
Level 4 Independently formulates a differential diagnosis, including common and uncommon causes, and adjusts management plan based on patient response	 For an eight-year-old female presenting with fluid overload, decreased urine output, severe anemia (Hgb 6.5 g/dL), thrombocytopenia, creatinine of 4.5 mg/dL, and hyperkalemia (K 6mmol/L), considers a broad differential including atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome (HUS) in diagnosis, orders appropriate diagnostic evaluation, recognizes the need for intensive care unit (ICU) admission, close monitoring, urgent medical management of hyperkalemia, and close electrolyte monitoring during blood transfusion
Level 5 Independently and effectively manages unusual, rare, or complex fluid and/or electrolyte disorder(s)	 Recognizes the need to measure 1,25-dihydroxyvitamin D and (if available) fibroblast growth factor 23 (FGF-23) in a two-year-old female with hypophosphatemia, hypercalciuria, and multiple fractures due to severe rickets Crafts a comprehensive fluid electrolyte and nutrition plan for a five-month-old infant with severe failure to thrive (faltering growth) and hypernatremia (serum sodium 170 mEq/L) and AKI (creatinine 1.7 mg/dL) due to nephrogenic diabetes insipidus
Assessment Models or Tools	 Case-based discussion Case conferences assessment Direct observation In-training examination Medical record (chart) review
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Milestones	Evamples
Milestones Level 1 Identifies patients with hypertension	 Correctly measures blood pressure by using instruments appropriately and placing correctly sized cuff in correct position Interprets automated results of blood pressure and uses blood pressure tables appropriately After being consulted for hypertension in a six-month-old admitted for respiratory distress, determines that the patient's blood pressures were being measured on the leg; the patient has normal blood pressure when taken in the upper extremity
Level 2 Develops a differential diagnosis of hypertension and proposes an initial diagnostic and management plan	 When a five-year-old girl is referred for blood pressure of 124 mm Hg systolic, considers if the patient has risk factors for secondary hypertension; assesses for evidence of end organ dysfunction Recognizes the role of ambulatory blood pressure monitoring (ABPM) in the evaluation of hypertension and appropriately orders ABPM in patients with high blood pressure in clinic When an obese 15-year-old teenage male is referred to nephrology clinic with more than three accurately measured blood pressures in the outpatient setting above 135 mm Hg, appropriately orders additional tests and initiates treatment as indicated according to treatment guidelines
Level 3 Formulates a diagnostic strategy, interprets the results of specialized testing, and adjusts management plan based on results and patient comorbidities, with guidance	 Accurately interprets an ABPM and recommends treatment based on guidelines Coordinates workup for a nine-year-old with secondary hypertension due to parenchymal renal disease due to reflux nephropathy, including imaging and appropriate interpretation of all laboratory results; chooses correct class of antihypertensives and counsels patient's family about potential adverse effects
Level 4 Independently develops and implements a management plan for patients with hypertension, and adjusts therapy based on patient acuity and complexity	 Manages a hypertensive emergency from clinic through hospital admission and coordinates diagnostic work up and treatment plan Manages a 12-year-old female patient with newly diagnosed lupus nephritis with acute kidney injury and fluid overload, and titrates antihypertensives as patient undergoes induction therapy
Level 5 Independently and effectively manages unusual, rare, or complex presentations of hypertension	 Is confident at diagnosing rare monogenic forms of hypertension, such as Liddle's, Gordon's, or glucocorticoid-remediable aldosteronism (GRA) Takes a leadership role in a hypertension clinic Works with an interdisciplinary management team to care for patients with renovascular hypertension
Assessment Models or Tools	Case-based discussion Case conferences assessment

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Patient Care 8: Glomerular Disease Overall Intent: To identify, diagnose, and treat glomerular disorders	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Identifies patients with glomerular disease and distinguishes between patients with nephritis and nephrotic syndromes	 Recognizes clinical presentation and laboratory findings associated with glomerulonephritis Correctly determines that a four-year-old patient with eyelid swelling and dipstick proteinuria requires a urine protein-creatinine ratio
Level 2 Develops a differential diagnosis of glomerular disease and proposes an initial diagnostic and management plan	 Appropriately orders initial laboratory work up for common causes of glomerular diseases for an eight-year-old boy who presents with gross hematuria and proteinuria, including measurements of kidney function, complements, antinuclear antibody (ANA), and hepatitis profiles Recognizes need for genetic testing in a six-year-old with steroid resistant nephrotic syndrome, and appropriately considers secondary treatments such as rituximab or tacrolimus
Level 3 Formulates a diagnostic strategy, interprets the results of specialized testing (including biopsy), and adjusts management plan based on results, with guidance	 After a 12-year-old female presents with clinical and laboratory findings consistent with rapidly progressive glomerular nephritis (RPGN), appropriately sends additional laboratory workup and recognizes urgency for kidney biopsy to help guide treatment While caring for an 18-year-old female patient with newly diagnosed SLE and lupus nephritis, under guidance of the attending, schedules kidney biopsy when patient's hypertension is better controlled
Level 4 Independently develops and implements a management plan for patients with glomerular diseases, and adjusts therapy based on patient acuity and complexity	 When a 16-year-old female with newly diagnosed microscopic polyangiitis (MPA) has completed induction therapy with glucocorticoids and rituximab but has ongoing systemic inflammation and active nephritis, recognizes need for additional induction therapy with cyclophosphamide Discusses next steps in management and likely long-term outcomes with the family of a child with new diagnosis of congenital nephrotic syndrome Interprets kidney biopsy results for a lupus nephritis patient and is aware of treatment recommendations based on classification
Level 5 Independently and effectively manages unusual, rare, or complex presentations of glomerular diseases	 When an 18-year-old female with CAKUT and known CKD presents with acute kidney injury and serum and urine labs consistent with glomerulonephritis, and biopsy and additional serum labs suggest C3 GN, appropriately performs additional genetic testing and workup for secondary causes; recognizes the indication for using terminal complement inhibitors
Assessment Models or Tools	 Case-based discussion Case conferences assessment Direct observation

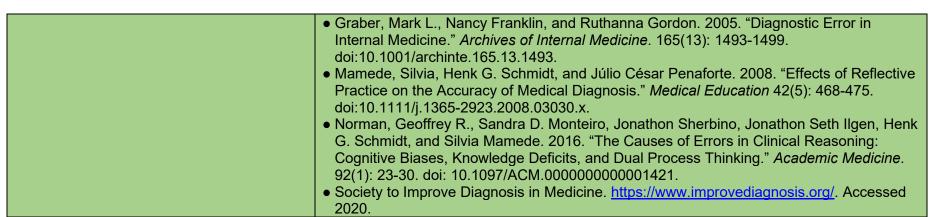
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Patient Care 9: Competence in Procedures Overall Intent: To perform required procedures and manage any related complications	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Discusses the indications for and assists with all procedures	• Identifies need for and assists in the performance of kidney biopsy in a seven-year-old boy presenting with microscopic hematuria, nephrotic-range proteinuria, and worsening kidney function
Discusses potential procedural complications	Obtains appropriate informed consent from the parents, discussing risks of bleeding and other complications
Level 2 Performs procedures, with direct supervision	 Performs localization by ultrasound and other key portions of the biopsy procedure under immediate supervision Initiates acute dialysis and writes appropriate orders for a six-year-old with fluid overload from sepsis-related AKI after discussing with attending
Recognizes complications of procedures and enlists help	Requests urgent imaging, hemoglobin level, and frequent vital signs for a patient with post-biopsy pain and hypotension
Level 3 Competently performs procedures, with indirect supervision	Properly sets up the sterile field and successfully biopsies a native kidney using ultrasound guidance
Manages complications of procedures, with supervision	Writes initial hemodialysis orders for an eight-year-old boy who initiates chronic dialysis for CAKUT-related ESKD
	Requests chest x-ray and consults thoracic surgery for a patient who develops acute shortness of breath after hemodialysis catheter placement
Level 4 Proficiently and independently performs procedures	Serves as the primary operator for localization and performance of kidney biopsy with faculty members only observing
Anticipates and independently manages complications of procedures	 Writes all continuous kidney replacement therapy orders, including appropriate adjustments for clearance, electrolytes, and ultrafiltration goals in a three-week-old infant on extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO) following cardiac surgery Identifies an expanding hematoma immediately after biopsy and recommends additional ultrasonographic evaluation, monitoring, and other imaging as necessary Identifies and manages anticoagulant and antiplatelet use, severe hypertension, and thin renal cortex as risk factors for biopsy complications
Level 5 Serves as an educational resource for procedures and their complications	Assists other learners in planning and performing a biopsy

	Manages an entire shift of dialysis patients, including presentations at patient care conference and coordinating access monitoring and quality assurance performance improvement meetings
Assessment Models or Tools	Case-based discussion Case conferences assessment
	Checklist review Direct observation
	In-training examination
	Medical record (chart) review Simulation
Curriculum Mapping	
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Medical Knowledge 1: Clinical Reasoning Overall Intent: To consistently develop a complete and prioritized differential diagnosis while minimizing the impact of cognitive errors	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Organizes and accurately summarizes information obtained from the patient evaluation to develop a clinical impression	After evaluating a patient, states that the six-year-old boy who was seen for allergies by his primary medical doctor two weeks earlier is now presenting with progressive swelling including his eyes, abdomen, and lower extremities
Level 2 Integrates information from all sources to develop a basic differential diagnosis for common patient presentations	Uses patient history, physical exam findings, laboratory data, and prior medical records to develop a differential diagnosis of glomerulonephritis in a 12-year-old girl with hypertension, gross hematuria, and nephrotic-range proteinuria
Identifies clinical reasoning errors within patient care, with guidance	 In discussion with senior physician, identifies lack of awareness of characteristics of the disease as the reason for excluding systemic lupus erythematosus from differential diagnosis of hematuria in a young woman with a malar rash In discussion with clinic attending, recognizes own implicit bias as a reason for not identifying thyroid disease as the diagnosis in a Black teenage girl presenting in hypertension clinic with complaints of weight gain and fatigue
Level 3 Develops a thorough and prioritized differential diagnosis for common patient presentations	• For a two-year-old girl presenting to the emergency room with complaints of anasarca, discusses the differential diagnosis of infantile nephrotic syndrome versus minimal change disease and identifies the genetic mutations associated with possible causes of nephrotic syndrome in a young child
Retrospectively applies clinical reasoning principles to identify errors	 During a team discussion of a patient with renal artery stenosis, recognizes that accurate diagnosis was delayed due to anchoring on a presumptive diagnosis of pheochromocytoma due to a recent case with a similar presentation After expression of frustration with a patient for "non-compliance" with diet and exercise recommendations, asks patient about access to food and safe and accessible areas for exercise
Level 4 Synthesizes subtle, unusual, or conflicting findings to prioritize differential diagnoses in complex patient presentations	• For a two-year-old girl presenting with severe proteinuria due to relapse of nephrotic syndrome, identifies subtle persistent tachypnea on exam and considers complications of nephrotic syndrome such as pulmonary embolism; reviews the EHR and notes that this exam finding was present on two recent admissions but was attributed to fluid overload
Continually re-appraises one's own clinical reasoning to improve patient care in real time	When a patient's weight percentile continues to rise despite appropriate lifestyle counseling, asks patient and family about access to food and safe and accessible areas for exercise

	When a patient with systemic lupus erythematosus and end stage kidney disease has a pericardial effusion that fails to improve with aggressive dialysis, reconsiders uremia as the etiology and consults rheumatology for potential steroid therapy for serositis
Level 5 Coaches others to develop prioritized differential diagnoses in complex patient presentations	Teaches a PGY-1 to identify subtle medical signs or symptoms in order to hone differential diagnosis in an ICU patient with dysnatremia
Models how to recognize errors and reflect upon one's own clinical reasoning	For the two-year-old girl with nephrotic syndrome and tachypnea, articulates that the diagnosis of pulmonary embolism was delayed due to anchoring on the diagnosis of the admitting team and discusses how to change the evaluation in future transitions of care
Assessment Models or Tools	 Chart-stimulated recall Direct observation Medical record (chart) audit Multisource feedback Reflection Simulation Evaluation of formal case presentations incorporating explicit discussion of clinical reasoning (case conferences, morbidity and mortality (M and M) conferences, etc.)
Curriculum Mapping	
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Medical Knowledge 2: Physiology and Pathophysiology Overall Intent: To demonstrate advanced knowledge of physiology, pathophysiology, and the basic sciences through integration with	
diagnosis and management Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Identifies key physiological and pathophysiological concepts	 Explains normal kidney handling of sodium and identifies major pathophysiologic changes that occur in patients with ascites and edema Demonstrates a basic understanding of normal newborn renal function and maturation
Level 2 Demonstrates knowledge of more complex physiology and pathophysiology	 Explains normal kidney water handling and identifies changes that occur in patients with hyponatremia Enumerates the hormonal regulation of phosphate metabolism
Level 3 Applies knowledge of physiology and pathophysiology to diagnosis and management of routinely encountered conditions and presentations	 Uses electrolyte-free water clearance to develop a differential diagnosis and treatment plan for a patient with hyponatremia Understands the renin angiotensin system and mechanism of action of various antihypertensive medications
Level 4 Integrates knowledge of physiology and pathophysiology with diagnosis and management of more complex conditions and presentation	 Synthesizes the pathophysiology of apparent mineralocorticoid excess syndromes and uses this knowledge to order additional diagnostic studies and choose therapy Synthesizes knowledge of basic immunology to determine choice of rejection treatment between patients with acute cellular and antibody mediated rejection
Level 5 Synthesizes newly described and emerging clinical physiology and pathophysiology concepts with diagnosis and management	 Helps to identify and recognize implications of complement system abnormalities in a patient with C3 glomerulopathy and atypical HUS Uses off-label medications or clinical trials for rare diseases Collaborates with or participates in multicenter trials
Assessment Models or Tools	 Chart-stimulated recall Direct observation In-training exam Medical record (chart) audit Reflection Simulation
Curriculum Mapping	
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Systems-Based Practice 1: Patient Safety Overall Intent: To engage in the analysis and management of patient safety events, including relevant communication with patients, patients' families, and health care professionals		
Milestones	Examples	
Level 1 Demonstrates knowledge of common patient safety events	 Lists common patient safety events such as patient misidentification or medication errors Identifies need to adjust medication dose based on glomerular filtration rate 	
Demonstrates knowledge of how to report patient safety events	• Lists "patient safety reporting system" or "patient safety hotline" as ways to report safety events	
Level 2 Identifies system factors that lead to patient safety events	• Identifies that EHR default timing of orders as "routine" (without changing to "stat") may lead to delays in medication administration	
	Uses the EHR order sets to ensure proper dosing and timing of medication	
Reports patient safety events through institutional reporting systems (simulated or actual)	Reports delayed treatment administration using the appropriate reporting mechanism	
Level 3 Participates in analysis of patient safety	Participates in department morbidity and mortality presentations	
events (simulated or actual)	 Participates in root cause analyses (mock or actual) Participates in a quality improvement project aimed at reducing racial disparities 	
Participates in disclosure of patient safety events to patients and families (simulated or actual)	With the support of an attending or risk management team member, participates in the disclosure of a medication order error to a patient's family	
Level 4 Conducts analysis of patient safety events and offers error prevention strategies (simulated or actual)	 Leads a simulated or actual root cause analysis related to a peritonitis episode in a chronic dialysis patient; develops action plan that includes prevention checklists, re- education of the patient's caregivers, and timely reporting of exit site infections and touch contaminations 	
Discloses patient safety events to patients and families (simulated or actual)	Following consultation with risk management and other team members, independently discloses a medication error to a patient's family	
Level 5 Actively engages teams and processes to modify systems to prevent patient safety events	 Leads a multidisciplinary team to work on improved medication reconciliation processes to prevent discharge medication errors and considers biases among team members Leads a team to revise the treatment order sets in the EHR 	
Role models or mentors others in the disclosure of patient safety events	Conducts a simulation demonstrating techniques and approaches for disclosing patient safety events	

	Teaches a course during PGY-1 bootcamp about the resident's role in disclosure of patient safety events
Assessment Models or Tools	Case-based discussion Direct observation E-module multiple choice tests Guided reflection Medical record (chart) audit Multisource feedback Simulation
Curriculum Mapping	
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Systems-Based Practice 2: Quality Improvement Overall Intent: To understand and implement quality improvement methodologies to improve patient care		
Milestones	Examples	
Level 1 Demonstrates knowledge of basic quality improvement methodologies and metrics	 Describes fishbone diagram Describes components of a "Plan-Do-Study-Act" cycle 	
Level 2 Describes local quality improvement initiatives (e.g., community vaccination rate, infection rate, smoking cessation)	 Describes clinic initiatives to improve administration rates of pneumococcal vaccines to patients with nephrotic syndrome Describes an initiative in the continuity clinic to improve influenza vaccination rates in the children seen in that clinic 	
Level 3 Participates in local quality improvement initiatives	 Participates in an ongoing interdisciplinary project to improve medication reconciliation Collaborates on a project to improve discharge efficiency 	
Level 4 Demonstrates the skills required to identify, develop, implement, and analyze a quality improvement project	 Develops and implements a quality improvement project to improve pneumococcal vaccination rates within a practice site that includes engaging the office team, assessing the problem, articulating a broad goal, developing a SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, Time-bound) aim, collecting data, analyzing, and monitoring progress and challenges In developing a quality improvement project, considers team bias and social determinants of health in patient population 	
Level 5 Creates, implements, and assesses quality improvement initiatives at the institutional or community level	 Initiates and completes a quality improvement project to improve county pneumococcal vaccination rates in collaboration with the county health department and shares results through a formal presentation to the community leaders Looks for opportunities to improve clinic vaccination rates across a health care system Consistently engages in quality improvement around improving clinic vaccination rates 	
Assessment Models or Tools	 Direct observation E-module multiple choice test Portfolio Poster or other presentation assessment Quality improvement project review Team evaluations 	
Curriculum Mapping		

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Systems-Based Practice 3: System Navigation for Patient-Centered Care – Coordination of Care Overall Intent: To effectively navigate the health care system, including the interdisciplinary team and other care providers; to adapt care to a specific patient population to ensure high-quality patient outcomes	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Lists the various interprofessional individuals involved in the patient's care coordination	 For a patient with posterior urethral valves, identifies the team members and roles as part of the team, including pediatric urologists, clinic nurses, and social workers Identifies important members of the medical home team for a complex care patient in the continuity clinic Recognizes implicit bias as a contributor to health care disparities Identifies access to care and insurance coverage as social determinants of health
Level 2 Coordinates care of patients in routine clinical situations, incorporating interprofessional teams with consideration of patient and family needs	 After valve ablation for a patient with a new diagnosis of posterior urethral valves, coordinates care with the urology and nephrology clinics at the time of discharge from the hospital Coordinates home health and subspecialty care for a child with a gastrostomy tube being seen in the continuity clinic
Level 3 Coordinates care of patients in complex clinical situations, effectively utilizing the roles of interprofessional teams, and incorporating patient and family needs and goals	 Works with the social worker to coordinate outpatient care and ensure appropriate nephrology clinic follow-up for a patient with posterior urethral valves and chronic kidney disease stage 3 who resides in a rural area with limited family transportation options Refers patients to a local pharmacy that offers a sliding fee scale and provides pharmacy coupons for patients in need Recognizes that marginalized communities may have additional barriers to access and the need to involve a social worker or case manager in finding community resources
Level 4 Coordinates interprofessional, patient-centered care among different disciplines and specialties, actively assisting families in navigating the health-care system	 During inpatient rotations, leads team members in approaching consultants to review cases/recommendations and arranges radiology rounds for the team Advocates for and coordinates rescheduling a patient who was "fired" from a subspecialty clinic for missing appointments due to underlying socioeconomic issues Recognizes the need for and coordinates a multidisciplinary team/family meeting to include appropriate subspecialists, physical therapist/occupational therapist, nutrition, child life, mental health resources, chaplain services, ethics specialist, etc.
Level 5 Coaches others in interprofessional, patient-centered care coordination	 Leads an initiative to educate residents about home health services or medical home model for medically complex children, ensuring inclusion of discussion on health care disparities Coaches and mentors colleagues through a multidisciplinary team meeting of a child with complex health care needs
Assessment Models or Tools	Direct observation

	Medical record (chart) audit
	Multisource feedback
	Review of discharge planning documentation
Curriculum Mapping	
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Systems-Based Practice 4: System Navigation for Patient-Centered Care - Transitions in Care Overall Intent: To effectively navigate the health care delivery system during transitions of care to ensure high-quality patient outcomes **Milestones Examples** Level 1 Uses a standard template for transitions • When handing off to colleagues on a night shift, reads verbatim from a templated hand-off of care/hand-offs but lacks context, is not appropriately specific in next steps, and does not provide contingency plans • During transitions, includes more information than is necessary • Routinely uses a standardized hand-off for stable patients, verbalizes a basic Level 2 Adapts a standard template. recognizing key elements for safe and effective understanding of active problems, and provides basic contingency plans transitions of care/hand-offs in routine clinical • Discusses a discharge of a newly transplanted patient from the hospital with the primary nephrologist and the primary care physician and provides a problem list, clinical course, situations and action items to be followed up as an outpatient Level 3 Performs safe and effective transitions • Routinely uses a standardized hand-off when transferring a patient to the intensive care of care/hand-offs in complex clinical situations. unit, with direct communication of clinical reasoning, problems warranting a higher level of and ensures closed-loop communication care, and status of completed/planned interventions; solicits read-back and confirms/uses specific resources and timeline for transfer to occur • Performs the hand-off for a patient with new diagnosis of end stage kidney disease to the primary nephrologist and relevant multidisciplinary team; includes a succinct summary by problem or system, ensuring that follow-up dialysis session is arranged, medications are clarified, and orders/consents for outpatient therapy are in place • When transitioning to the next responsible person, provides succinct and relevant patient information Level 4 Performs and advocates for safe and • Prior to going on vacation, proactively seeks out colleagues in continuity clinic to follow up effective transitions of care/hand-offs within and on test results that are still pending and expected back during that week with specific instructions and contingency plans for the follow-up visit with the patient/family across health care delivery systems, including transitions to adult care • Seeks out appropriate adult general and subspecialty practitioners to facilitate the transition of a 20-year-old patient with renal transplant to adult nephrology; ensures a thorough hand-off, including the patient's cultural preferences and social needs, to the identified new adult practitioners • Designs and implements standardized hand-off workshop exercises for medical students Level 5 Coaches others in improving transitions of care within and across health care delivery prior to the start of their clinical rotations • Develops and implements a process for fellowship continuity clinics to improve the systems to optimize patient outcomes transition from pediatric nephrology to adult nephrology Assessment Models or Tools Portfolio assessment Direct observation Standardized hand-off assessment checklist

	Multisource feedback
	Review of sign-out tools, use and review of checklists
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Systems-Based Practice 5: Population and Community Health	
Overall Intent: To promote and improve health across communities and populations through patient care and advocacy, including public	
education and elimination of structural racism	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Demonstrates awareness of population	Identifies social determinants of health, such as poverty and structural racism
and community health needs and disparities	Identifies adverse childhood experiences
Level 2 Identifies specific population and	Screens patients for adverse childhood experiences and acknowledges social
community health needs and disparities;	determinants of health and the impact of structural racism for individual patients
identifies local resources	 Discusses health disparities and is aware of benefits available to children with ESKD via Medicare
Level 3 Uses local resources effectively to meet	Consistently refers ESKD patients for renal transplantation in a timely manner
the needs and reduce health disparities of a	Promotes to patients the local resources and programs aimed at eliminating structural
patient population and community	racism and improving health disparities
Level 4 Adapts practice to provide for the needs	Participates in a local advocacy project to improve health care access and/or decrease
of and reduce health disparities of a specific	practices that support structural racism
population	Joins a project to assess food insecurity in ESKD patients
Laval F Advantage at the land regional as	Organizes resources for patients who screen positive for mental health concerns
Level 5 Advocates at the local, regional, or national level for populations and communities	 Engages in a project to open a food bank in collaboration with community partners Partners with a community organization working to increase COVID-19 vaccination rates
with health care disparities	for ESKD or transplant patients
With Health dare dispartites	Participates in longitudinal discussions with local, state, or national government policy
	makers to eliminate structural racism, reduce health disparities, and improve access to
	kidney transplant
Assessment Models or Tools	Analysis of process and outcomes measures based on social determinants of health and
	resultant disparities
	Direct observation
	Medical record (chart) audit
	Multisource feedback
	Portfolio assessment
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Systems-Based Practice 6: Physician Role in Health Care Systems	
Overall Intent: To understand the physician's role in health systems science to optimize patient care delivery, including cost-conscious care	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Engages with patients and other providers in discussions about cost-conscious care and key components of the health care delivery system	 Articulates the impact of patients coming to continuity clinic for non-emergent acute visits instead of seeking care in the emergency department Considers that insurance coverage, or lack of coverage, can affect prescription drug availability/cost for individual patients Identifies that one's own implicit biases contribute to disparities and less-than-optimal care
Level 2 Identifies the relationships between the delivery system and cost-conscious care and the impact on the patient care	 Considers the patient's prescription drug coverage when choosing an antihypertensive for a teenage with metabolic syndrome Ensures that a patient hospitalized with relapsed nephrotic syndrome has a scheduled follow-up appointment at discharge
Level 3 Discusses the need for changes in clinical approaches based on evidence, outcomes, and cost-effectiveness to improve care for patients and families	 Accepts an appropriate level of uncertainty when balancing cost-conscious care (e.g., not ordering a urinalysis when it will not change management) Discusses risks and benefits of pursuing sedated magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) in the setting of an incidental finding of a simple renal cyst measuring <1 cm on an abdominal ultrasound in light of costs to patient's family and health system Adapts plan to minimize costs and provides appropriate care for an uninsured patient Considers health care disparities in pursuit of evidence-based care
Level 4 Advocates for the promotion of safe, quality, and high-value care	 Works collaboratively to identify additional services for a patient who was recently initiated on hemodialysis and is facing psychosocial barriers to adherence to medications Identifies the value of the Standardizing Care to Improve Outcomes in Pediatric End Stage Kidney Disease (SCOPE) collaborative and the placement of the peritoneal dialysis (PD) catheter facing downward to improve catheter function and infection prevention, discusses the implementation of the practice with all the pediatric surgeons, and implements a project to track PD placement practices
Level 5 Coaches others to promote safe, quality, and high-value care across health care systems	 Raises awareness at a systems level to promote cost-conscious care (e.g., implementation of "Save the Vein" recommendations or development of a local evidence-based guideline) Leads team members in conversations around cultural and language barriers to effectively assess psychosocial barriers to medical care and creates team plans to provide comprehensive depression screening in a clinic Educates colleagues on chronic kidney disease awareness and organizes a day at the hospital to obtain serum creatinine levels in employees and visitors
Assessment Models or Tools	Direct observation Medical record (chart) audit

	Multisource feedback
	Patient satisfaction data
	Patient satisfaction data Patient safety conference
	Review and guided reflection on costs accrued for individual patients or patient
	populations with a given diagnosis
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Practice-Based Learning and Improvement 1: Evidence-Based and Informed Practice Overall Intent: To incorporate evidence and apply it to individual patients and patient populations	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Develops an answerable clinical question and demonstrates how to access available evidence, with guidance	 Identifies a question such as, "How do you diagnose hypertension in neonates and children?", but needs guidance to focus it into a searchable question Uses general medical resources (i.e., background information) such as UpToDate or DynaMed to search for answers Access available evidence using unfiltered resources, retrieving a broad array of related information
Level 2 Independently articulates clinical question and accesses available evidence	 Clearly identifies a focused, answerable question (e.g., "Among children with elevated blood pressure, does ambulatory blood pressure monitoring determine those patients with white coat versus ambulatory hypertension?") Uses PubMed to search for the answer to a clinical question and appropriately filters results
Level 3 Locates and applies the evidence, integrated with patient preference, to the care of patients	 Obtains, appraises, and applies evidence to use ambulatory blood pressure monitoring to evaluate and diagnose hypertension in pediatric patients Efficiently searches and filters key databases, retrieving information that is specific to the clinical question Applies evidence-based clinical practice guidelines for diagnosing hypertension in pediatric patients Evaluates diagnostic criteria that center around social determinants of health
Level 4 Critically appraises and applies evidence, even in the face of uncertainty and conflicting evidence to guide care tailored to the individual patient	 Routinely seeks out and applies evidence to the care of individual patients or populations to change (or re-evaluate) own clinical practice Adds to library of resources with updated primary literature or clinical guidelines with new revisions Weighs primary and secondary outcomes to enhance specificity to individual patients Elicits patient's prior experiences regarding diversity, equity, and inclusion in the health care system to start conversations about optimal management patient preference Explores, evaluates, and incorporates new resources into search strategies Discusses with patients' families if alternative options (e.g., food insecurity issues when making dietary recommendations) may be reasonable, while considering patient preferences/needs (e.g., frozen versus canned foods) Uses levels of evidence to weigh the primary outcomes that apply to the care of individual patients

Level 5 Coaches others to critically appraise and apply evidence for complex patients	 Provides feedback to other residents on their ability to formulate questions, search for the best available evidence, appraise evidence, and apply that information to the care of patients Role models and coaches others in creating efficient and effective search strategies to answer clinical questions As part of a team, develops an evidence-based clinical pathway in the EHR for recognition of elevated blood pressure in children
Assessment Models or Tools	 Direct observation Oral or written examinations Presentation evaluation Research portfolio Journal club faculty evaluations
Curriculum Mapping	
Notes or Resources	 ABP. "Entrustable Professional Activities for Subspecialties: Nephrology." https://www.abp.org/content/entrustable-professional-activities-subspecialties. Accessed 2021. Duke University. "Evidence-Based Practice." https://guides.mclibrary.duke.edu/ebm/home.. Accessed 2020. Guyatt, Gordon, Drummond Rennie, Maureen O. Meade, and Deborah Cook. 2015. https://guides.mclibrary.duke.edu/ebm/home.. Accessed 2020. Guyatt, Gordon, Drummond Rennie, Maureen O. Meade, and Deborah Cook. 2015. <a book.aspx?bookld='847"' href="https://www.abp.org/content/entrustable-professional-activities-subspecialties. Accessed Clinical Practice, 3rd ed. USA: McGraw-Hill Education. https://jamaevidence.mhmedical.com/Book.aspx?bookld=847. Accessed 2020. US National Library of Medicine. "PubMed® Online Training." https://www.nlm.nih.gov/bsd/disted/pubmedtutorial/cover.html. Accessed 2020.

Practice-Based Learning and Improvement 2: Reflective Practice and Commitment to Personal Growth Overall Intent: To continuously improve patient care based on self-evaluation and lifelong learning	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Participates in feedback sessions	Attends scheduled feedback sessions
Develops personal and professional goals, with assistance	 Develops a plan with faculty member to assess how often nephrotic syndrome patients receive pneumococcal 23 vaccination Acknowledges own implicit/explicit biases
Level 2 Demonstrates openness to feedback and performance data	Acknowledges concerns about timely note completion and works with clinic preceptor to develop goals for improvement
Designs a learning plan based on established goals, feedback, and performance data, with assistance	 After reviewing clinic pneumococcal 23 vaccination rates in nephrotic syndrome patients, integrates feedback to develop an individual education plan about vaccine guidelines Devises a plan to explore biases and how they impact vaccine hesitancy
Level 3 Seeks and incorporates feedback and performance data episodically	Reviews quarterly chart audit and timely communication of results or change in plan with patients' families
Designs and implements a learning plan by analyzing and reflecting on the factors which contribute to gap(s) between performance expectations and actual performance	 Evaluates the pneumococcal 23 vaccine practices for nephrotic syndrome patients in continuity clinic patients to ensure each one has an appropriate plan consistent with current guidelines Recognizes own implicit biases that affect vaccine recommendations for nephrotic syndrome patients
Level 4 Seeks and incorporates feedback and performance data consistently	Initiates a monthly chart audit to ensure appropriate completion of charts and sets improvement goal to communicate with families within 48 hours
Adapts a learning plan using long-term professional goals, self-reflection, and	Adapts learning plan to incorporate current evidenced based vaccination guidelines for existing and emerging infectious diseases
Level 5 Role models and coaches others in seeking and incorporating feedback and performance data	Actively seeks out resources to mitigate impact of biases on clinical practice Leads a multidisciplinary clinic discussion on opportunities to improve communication with patients' families
Demonstrates continuous self-reflection and coaching of others on reflective practice	Meets with learners to review practice habits and develop their learning goals
Assessment Models or Tools	Direct observation Medical record (chart) audit

	Review of learning plan
Curriculum Mapping	
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Professionalism 1: Professional Behavior	
Overall Intent: To demonstrate ethical and professional behaviors and promote these behaviors in others, and to use appropriate resources	
to manage professional dilemmas Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Identifies expected professional behaviors and potential triggers for lapses	Asks a senior fellow or faculty member for feedback on post-call interactions with staff and colleagues after realizing own tendency to be curt when tired
Identifies the value and role of pediatric nephrology as a vocation/career	Acknowledges the importance of pediatric nephrologists in evaluating and treating patients with hypertension
Level 2 Demonstrates professional behavior with occasional lapses	Is late to morning rounds, identifies this lapse, and immediately apologizes to peers and attendings upon arrival
Demonstrates accountability for patient care as a pediatric nephrologist, with guidance	When a patient's family asks to have Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) paperwork filled out, is unfamiliar with this form and seeks out help from attending to complete form in timely manner
Level 3 Maintains professional behavior in increasingly complex or stressful situations	During a busy night on call, demonstrates caring and compassionate behaviors with patients, patients' families, colleagues, and staff members
Fully engages in patient care and holds oneself accountable	Advocates for an individual patient's needs in a humanistic and professional manner regarding home care, medication approval, and need for care by another subspecialist
Level 4 Recognizes situations that may trigger professionalism lapses and intervenes to prevent lapses in self and others	Models respect and compassion for patients and promotes the same from colleagues by actively identifying positive professional behavior
Exhibits a sense of duty to patient care and professional responsibilities	 Without prompting, assists colleagues with seeing patients when the clinic is busy Speaks up in the moment when observing racist/sexist behavior within the health care team and uses reporting mechanisms to address it
Level 5 Models professional behavior and coaches others when their behavior fails to meet professional expectations	Discusses the importance of timeliness with a learner with habitual lateness, making a plan together to address the underlying issues of why the learner is late
Extends the role of the pediatric nephrologist beyond the care of patients by engaging with the community, specialty, and medical	Advocates for process improvement to help a cohort of patients, takes on larger projects to remedy a system issue that is affecting patients, and sees the opportunity to improve care as a responsibility
Assessment Models or Tools	 Develops education and/or modules on microaggressions and bias Direct observation Global evaluation

	Multisource feedback
	Oral or written self-reflection
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Curriculum Mapping	•
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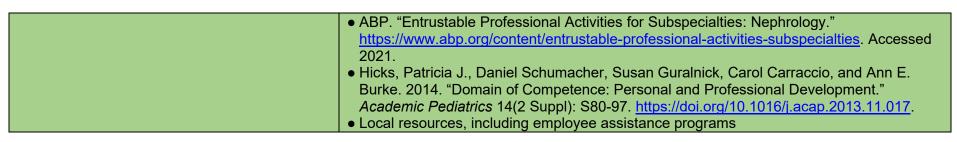
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Professionalism 2: Ethical Principles	
Overall Intent: To recognize and address or resolve common and complex ethical dilemmas or situations	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Demonstrates knowledge of the ethical principles underlying informed consent, surrogate decision making, advance directives, confidentiality, error disclosure, stewardship of limited resources, and related topics	Identifies and applies ethical principles involved in informed consent when unclear of all of the risks
Level 2 Applies ethical principles in common situations	 Articulates how the principle of "do no harm" applies to performing a kidney biopsy in a patient normally not biopsied despite it being a learning experience
Level 3 Analyzes complex situations using ethical principles to address conflict/controversy; seeks help when needed to manage and resolve complex ethical situations	 Discusses the risks and benefits of initiating chronic dialysis in a premature infant with anuric renal failure due to absent kidneys Works with team to better understand and address family refusal of all vaccinations prior to kidney transplant work up
Level 4 Manages and seeks to resolve ethical dilemmas using appropriate resources (e.g., ethics consultations, literature review, risk management/legal consultation)	 Appropriately uses ethics and palliative care resources to discuss end-of-life care of a child in the intensive care unit with multiorgan failure and poor prognosis Uses institutional resources, including social work and risk management, when a patient's parent chooses to leave the hospital against medical advice Engages with a multidisciplinary team to address issues of disagreement between the patient's family and physicians regarding care plans for a patient on dialysis preparing for transplant Recognizes and seeks to understand how prior experiences of patient/family racism influence trust and decision making
Level 5 Called upon by others to consult in cases of complex ethical dilemmas; identifies and seeks to address system-level factors that induce or exacerbate	Participates as part of the ethics consult service and provides guidance for complex cases
Assessment Models or Tools	 Direct observation Global evaluation Multisource feedback Oral or written self-reflection Simulation
Curriculum Mapping	•
Notes or Resources	 American Board of Internal Medicine, ACP-ASIM Foundation, European Federation of Internal Medicine. 2007. "Medical Professionalism in the New Millennium: A Physician Charter." Annals of Internal Medicine. 136:243-246. http://abimfoundation.org/wp-

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Professionalism 3: Accountability/Conscientiousness Overall Intent: To take responsibility for one's own actions and their impact on patients and other members of the health care team	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Performs tasks and responsibilities, with prompting	 Responds to first reminder from program administrator to complete work hour logs After being informed by the program director that too many conferences have been missed, changes habits to meet the minimum attendance requirement Completes patient care tasks (e.g., callbacks, consultations, orders) after prompting from a supervisor
Level 2 Performs tasks and responsibilities in a timely manner in routine situations	 Completes administrative tasks (e.g., licensing requirements) by specified due date Completes routine patient care tasks as assigned Answers pages and emails promptly with rare need for reminders
Level 3 Performs tasks and responsibilities in a thorough and timely manner in complex or stressful situations	Identifies multiple competing demands when caring for patients, triages and delegates tasks to other team members
Level 4 Coaches others to ensure tasks and responsibilities are completed in a thorough and timely manner in complex or stressful situations	 Reminds residents to complete patient care tasks, gives tips on task prioritization Supervises residents and/or medical students on a busy night, delegating tasks appropriately, and ensures that all tasks are completed for safe and thorough patient care
Level 5 Creates strategies to enhance others' ability to efficiently complete tasks and responsibilities	 Meets with multidisciplinary team (e.g., nurses, social worker, case manager) to streamline patient discharges
Assessment Models or Tools	 Compliance with deadlines and timelines Direct observation Global evaluations Multisource feedback Self-evaluations and reflective tools Simulation
Curriculum Mapping	
Notes or Resources	 ABP. "Entrustable Professional Activities for Subspecialties: Nephrology." https://www.abp.org/content/entrustable-professional-activities-subspecialties. Accessed 2021. American Medical Association. "Ethics." https://www.ama-assn.org/delivering-care/ama-code-medical-ethics. Accessed 2020. Code of conduct from fellow/resident institutional manual Expectations of residency program regarding accountability and professionalism

Professionalism 4: Well-Being Overall Intent: To identify resources to manage and improve well-being	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Recognizes the importance of addressing personal and professional well-being	 Acknowledges how individual response to participating in the care of a dying, critically ill patient may impact the approach to other patients seen later the same day Discusses the importance of a faculty mentor Recognizes that personal stress may require a change in schedule
Level 2 Describes institutional resources that are meant to promote well-being	 Identifies well-being resources such as meditation apps and mental health resources for students and residents available through the program and institution Meets with program director to discuss FMLA options when expecting a child
Level 3 Recognizes institutional and personal factors that impact well-being	 Identifies that being on service and working with critically ill patients in the intensive care units may be stressful and impact well-being Identifies that working during a pandemic is unusually stressful both personally and professionally Identifies the tensions between personal and professional stressors and responsibilities
Level 4 Describes interactions between institutional and personal factors that impact well-being	 Discusses a plan to mitigate the tension between a busy schedule and spending time with family Recognizes how microaggressions from coworkers and/or faculty members are impacting performance or engagement in patient care
Level 5 Coaches and supports colleagues to optimize well-being at the team, program, or institutional level	 Leads organizational efforts to address clinician well-being Leads a team debrief after a stressful, busy shift; shares personal impact of the shift and plans to decompress Develops an affinity group to provide support for self and others to explore impact of microaggressions and biases
Assessment Models or Tools	 Direct observation Group interview or discussions for team activities Individual interview Institutional online training modules Self-assessment and personal learning plan
Curriculum Mapping	•
Notes or Resources	 This subcompetency is not intended to evaluate a fellow's well-being, but to ensure each fellow has the fundamental knowledge of factors that impact well-being, the mechanisms by which those factors impact well-being, and available resources and tools to improve well-being. Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education. "Well-Being Tools and Resources." https://dl.acgme.org/pages/well-being-tools-resources. Accessed 2022.



Interpersonal and Communication Skills 1: Patient- and Family-Centered Communication	
Overall Intent: To establish a therapeutic relationship with patients and their families, tailor communication to the needs of patients and their	
families, and effectively navigate difficult/sensiti	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Demonstrates respect and attempts to	• Introduces self and faculty member, identifies patient and others in the room, and
establish rapport	engages all parties in health care discussion
Attempts to adjust communication strategies	Attempts to initiate sensitive conversations
based upon patient/family expectations	Identifies need for trained interpreter with non-English-speaking patients
Level 2 Establishes a therapeutic relationship in	● In a 16-year-old patient struggling to take transplant medications, acknowledges the
straightforward encounters	challenges associated with taking multiple medications and requiring frequent labs, while
	also emphasizing the importance of medication compliance and developing individualized
	strategies to improve medication compliance
Adjusts communication strategies as needed to	a liene man judgmental language with prostitioners, nationts, and nationts' families
mitigate barriers and meet patient/family	 Uses non-judgmental language with practitioners, patients, and patients' families Initiates a discussion with a patient and the patient's family regarding risks and benefits of
expectations	starting acute dialysis
Level 3 Establishes a culturally competent and	Prioritizes and sets an agenda based on concerns of patient's parents at the beginning of
therapeutic relationship in most encounters	a clinic visit in a child with CKD stage 4
	Provides handouts with diagrams and pictures to communicate information to a
	patient/parent who is unable to read
	Routinely provides handouts and clinical summaries in the preferred language of the
	patient and patient's family
Communicates with sensitivity and compassion,	Answers a patient's family's questions and guides discussion surrounding pros and cons
elicits patient/family values, and acknowledges	of peritoneal dialysis versus hemodialysis, incorporating elicited family values and goals
uncertainty and conflict	- Continues to an age maticular nevents who refuge improvements and decaying
Level 4 Establishes a therapeutic relationship in straightforward and complex encounters,	Continues to engage patient's parents who refuse immunizations, addressing misinformation and reviewing risks/benefits to assuage these concerns in a manner that
including those with ambiguity and/or conflict	engages rather than alienates the family
including those with ambiguity and/or connict	Facilitates sensitive discussions with patient/family and interdisciplinary team
	Traditional desired and additional factority and interaction plantary tourn
Uses shared decision making with patient/family	Asks questions in ways that validate patient identifiers and promote an inclusive
to make a personalized care plan	environment
	While maintaining trust, engages family of a child with medical complexity along with other
	members of the multi-specialty care team in determining family wishes and expectations
	regarding initiating dialysis

Level 5 Mentors others to develop positive therapeutic relationships	 Acts as a mentor for junior fellow disclosing bad news to a patient and the patient's family Models and coaches the spectrum of difficult communication
Models and coaches others in patient- and family-centered communication	Develops a curriculum on patient- and family-centered communication, including navigating difficult conversations
Assessment Models or Tools	Direct observation Multisource feedback Standardized patients
Curriculum Mapping	
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Interpersonal and Communication Skills 2: Interprofessional and Team Communication Overall Intent: To communicate effectively with the health care team, including consultants	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Respectfully requests a consultation, with guidance	When asking for a cardiology consultation for a patient with Marfan syndrome, respectfully relays the diagnosis and requests for the team to evaluate the patient
Identifies the members of the interprofessional team	Acknowledges the contribution of each member of the multidisciplinary team to the patient
Level 2 Clearly and concisely requests consultation by communicating patient information	When requesting a consultation from the infectious disease team for a dialysis patient admitted to the intensive care unit with a new fever, discusses the past central line-associated bloodstream infection (CLABSI) from the dialysis catheter, including microbiology results, treatment regimen, and sensitivities
Participates within the interprofessional team	Sends a message in the EHR to the dietician of a metabolic patient to discuss increasing the protein restriction
Level 3 Formulates a specific question for consultation and tailors communication strategy	After a consultation has been completed, communicates with the primary care team to verify they have received and understand the recommendations
Uses bi-directional communication within the interprofessional team	Contacts the metabolic team social worker to arrange for delivery of a specialized formula and completes the prescription
Level 4 Coordinates consultant recommendations to optimize patient care	 Initiates a multidisciplinary meeting to develop shared care plan for a patient with Denys-Drash syndrome Explains to the rest of the team, as well as the patient's parents, the rationale and benefits of using continuous renal replacement therapy (CRRT) as opposed to intermittent hemodialysis (IHD) in a critically ill postoperative patient; explains regional citrate anti-coagulation to the surgical team
Facilitates interprofessional team communication	 Asks other members of the health care team to repeat back recommendations to ensure understanding Leads the morning interprofessional huddle on the inpatient unit Effectively navigates racial discrimination or microaggressions from a colleague as pertains to the patient

Level 5 Maintains a collaborative relationship with referring providers that maximizes adherence to practice recommendations	Routinely leads a multidisciplinary care conference
Coaches others in effective communication within the interprofessional team	Mediates a conflict among members of the health care team
Assessment Models or Tools	 Direct observation Global assessment Medical record (chart) audit Multi-source feedback Simulation
Curriculum Mapping	
Notes or Resources	 ABP. "Entrustable Professional Activities for Subspecialties: Nephrology." https://www.abp.org/content/entrustable-professional-activities-subspecialties. Accessed 2021. ACAPT. "NIPEC Assessment Resources and Tools." <a 360."="" <i="" development="" faculty="" href="https://acapt.org/about/consortium/national-interprofessional-education-consortium-(nipec)/nipec-assessment-resources-and-tools. Accessed 2020. Dehon, Erin, Kimberly Simpson, David Fowler, Alan Jones. 2015. " of="" the="">MedEdPORTAL 11:10174. https://doi.org/10.15766/mep.2374-8265.10174. Fay, David, Michael Mazzone, Linda Douglas, Bruce Ambuel. 2007. "A Validated, Behavior-Based Evaluation Instrument for Family Medicine Residents." <i>MedEdPORTAL</i>. 2007. https://www.mededportal.org/doi/10.15766/mep.2374-8265.622. Accessed 2020. François, Jose. 2011. "Tool to Assess the Quality of Consultation and Referral Request Letters in Family Medicine." <i>Canadian Family Physician</i> 57(5):574–575. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3093595/. Accessed 2020. Green, Matt, Teresa Parrott, and Graham Cook. 2012. "Improving Your Communication Skills." <i>BMJ</i>. 344:e357. https://doi.org/10.3109/org/10.1136/bmj.e357. Henry, Stephen G., Eric S. Holmboe, and Richard M. Frankel. 2013. "Evidence-Based Competencies for Improving Communication Skills in Graduate Medical Education: A Review with Suggestions for Implementation." <i>Medical Teacher</i>. 35(5):395-403. https://doi.org/10.3109/0142159X.2013.769677. Interprofessional Education Collaborative Expert Panel. 2011. "Core Competencies for Inte

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Interpersonal and Communication Skills 3: Communication within Health Care Systems Overall Intent: To effectively communicate using a variety of tools and methods	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Records accurate information in the patient record	Corrects progress note after attending identifies outdated plan If using copy/paste/forward in EHR, goes back to make changes to note after doing so
Identifies the importance of and responds to multiple forms of communication (e.g., inperson, electronic health record (EHR), telephone, email)	Identifies team, departmental, and institutional communication tools, methods, and hierarchies for patient care needs, concerns, and safety issues
Level 2 Records accurate and timely information in the patient record	 Provides organized and accurate documentation that supports the treatment plan and limits extraneous information Avoids biased or stigmatized language in notes (e.g., "challenges with medication compliance" instead of "won't take medications") Completes clinic notes in a timely manner
Selects appropriate method of communication, with prompting	Responds to refill requests and patient messages
Level 3 Concisely documents updated, prioritized, diagnostic and therapeutic reasoning in the patient record	Produces documentation that reflects complex clinical thinking and planning, and is concise, but may not contain contingency planning (i.e., if/then statements)
Aligns type of communication with message to be delivered (e.g., direct and indirect) based on urgency and complexity	 Requests additional resources and contacts attending immediately when a patient develops concerning findings or complications Sends email to patient's oncology team overnight with a non-urgent question rather than paging oncology on call
Level 4 Documents diagnostic and therapeutic reasoning, including anticipatory guidance	Produces documentation that is consistently accurate, organized, and concise; reflects complex clinical reasoning and frequently incorporates contingency planning
Demonstrates exemplary written and verbal communication	Communicates effectively and proactively with collaborating physicians and teams about communication gaps in order to prevent recurrence
Level 5 Models and coaches others in documenting diagnostic and therapeutic reasoning	Leads teams by modeling a range of effective tools and methods of communication that fit the context of a broad variety of clinical encounters

Coaches others in written and verbal communication Assessment Models or Tools	 Designs and facilitates the improvement of systems that integrates effective communication among teams, departments, and institutions Leads a team to discuss implementation and dissemination of preferred pronouns/names into EHR Direct observation Medical record (chart) audit
	Multisource feedback Simulation
Curriculum Mapping	•
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To help programs transition to the new version of the Milestones, the ACGME has mapped the original Milestones 1.0 to the new Milestones 2.0. Indicated below are the subcompetencies that are similar between versions. These are not exact matches, but are areas that include similar elements. Not all subcompetencies map between versions. Inclusion or exclusion of any subcompetency does not change the educational value or impact on curriculum or assessment.

Milestones 1.0	Milestones 2.0
PC1: Provide transfer of care that ensures seamless transitions	SBP4: System Navigation for Patient-Centered Care – Transitions in Care
DCO. Make informed discussed and the manager to decisions that	
PC2: Make informed diagnostic and therapeutic decisions that	PC2: Acute Kidney Injury
result in optimal clinical judgement	PC4: Chronic Kidney Disease
	PC5: Transplant
	PC6: Fluids, Electrolytes, and Acid-Based Disorders
	PC7: Hypertension
	PC8: Glomerular Disease
	MK1: Clinical Reasoning
PC3: Develop and carry out management plans	PC3: Chronic Dialysis Therapy
	PC2: Acute Kidney Injury
	PC4: Chronic Kidney Disease
	PC5: Transplant
	PC6: Fluids, Electrolytes, and Acid-Based Disorders
	PC7: Hypertension
	PC8: Glomerular Disease
	ICS1: Patient- and Family-Centered Communication
PC4: Provide appropriate role modeling	PBLI2: Reflective Practice and Commitment to Personal Growth
	PC1: Organization and Prioritization of Patient Care
	PC9: Competence in Procedures
MK1: Locate, appraise, and assimilate evidence from scientific	MK2: Physiology and Pathophysiology
studies related to their patients' health problems	PBLI1: Evidence Based and Informed Practice
SBP1: Work effectively in various health care delivery settings	SBP3: System Navigation for Patient Cantered Care – Coordination
and systems relevant to their clinical specialty	of Care
	SBP6: Physician Role in Health Care Systems
SBP2: Coordinate patient care within the health care system	SBP3: System Navigation for Patient Centered Care - Coordination
relevant to their clinical specialty	of Care
·	SBP4: System Navigation for Patient-Centered Care – Transitions
	in Care
	SBP5: Population and Community Health

	ICS1: Patient- and Family-Centered Communications ICS2: Interprofessional and Team Communication
SBP3: Incorporate considerations of cost awareness and risk-	SBP5: Population and Community Health
benefit analysis in patient and/or population-based care as	SBP6: Physician Role in Health Care Systems
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SBP4: Work in inter-professional teams to enhance patient	SBP1: Patient Safety
safety and improve patient care quality	ICS2: Interprofessional and Team Communication
SBP5: Participate in identifying system errors and implementing	
potential systems solutions	SBP2: Quality Improvement
PBLI1: Identifying strengths, deficiencies, and limits to one's	PBL11: Evidence Based and Informed Practice
knowledge and expertise	PBLI2: Reflective Practice and Commitment to Personal Growth
PBLI2: Systematically analyze practice using quality	SBP2: Quality Improvement
	PBLI2: Reflective Practice and Commitment to Personal Growth
practice improvement	BEIZ. Relicouve Fractice and Communicity to Fersonial Growth
PBLI3: Use information technology to optimize learning and	PBLI1: Evidence Based and Informed Practice
care delivery	PBLI2: Reflective Practice and Commitment to Personal Growth
	ICS3: Communication within Health Care Systems
PBLI4: Participate in the education of patients, families,	SBP5: Population and Community Health
students, residents, fellows, and other health professionals	PBLI1: Evidence Based and Informed Practice
[ICS1: Patient- and Family-Centered Communications
PROF1: Professional Conduct: High standards of ethical	PROF1: Professional Behavior
behavior which includes maintaining appropriate professional	PROF2: Ethical Principles
boundaries	'
PROF2: Trustworthiness that makes colleagues feel secure	PBLI1: Evidence Based and Informed Practice
when one is responsible for the care of patients	PROF1: Professional Behavior
	PROF3: Accountability/Conscientiousness
	ICS1: Patient- and Family-Centered Communications
PROF3: Provide leadership skills that enhance team	ICS2: Interprofessional and Team Communication
functioning, the learning environment, and/or the health care	ICS3: Communication within Health Care Systems
delivery system/environment with the ultimate intent of	PROF2: Ethical Principles
improving care of patients	PROF3: Accountability/Conscientiousness
PROF4: The capacity to accept that ambiguity is part of clinical	PROF2: Ethical Principles
medicine and to recognize the need for and to utilize	ICS1: Patient- and Family-Centered Communication
appropriate resources in dealing with uncertainty	PBLI1: Evidence Based and Informed Practice
	PROF4: Well-Being

ICS1: Communicate effectively with physicians, other health	ICS2: Interprofessional and Team Communication
professionals, and health-related agencies	ICS3: Communication within Health Care Systems
ICS2: Work effectively as a member or leader of a health care	ICS2: Interprofessional and Team Communication
team or other professional group	PBLI2: Reflective Practice and Commitment to Personal Growth
	PROF3: Accountability/Conscientiousness
ICS3: Act in a consultative role to other physicians and health	MK1: Clinical Reasoning
professionals	ICS2: Interprofessional and Team Communication
	ICS3: Communication within Health Care Systems

Available Milestones Resources

Milestones 2.0: Assessment, Implementation, and Clinical Competency Committees Supplement, new 2021 - https://meridian.allenpress.com/jgme/issue/13/2s

Clinical Competency Committee Guidebook, updated 2020 -

https://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/ACGMEClinicalCompetencyCommitteeGuidebook.pdf?ver=2020-04-16-121941-380

Clinical Competency Committee Guidebook Executive Summaries, new 2020 - https://www.acgme.org/What-We-Do/Accreditation/Milestones/Resources - Guidebooks - Clinical Competency Committee Guidebook Executive Summaries

Milestones Guidebook, updated 2020 - https://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/MilestonesGuidebook.pdf?ver=2020-06-11-100958-330

Milestones Guidebook for Residents and Fellows, updated 2020 -

https://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/PDFs/Milestones/MilestonesGuidebookforResidentsFellows.pdf?ver=2020-05-08-150234-750

Milestones for Residents and Fellows PowerPoint, new 2020 - https://www.acgme.org/Residents-and-Fellows/The-ACGME-for-Residents-and-Fellows

Milestones for Residents and Fellows Flyer, new 2020 - https://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/PDFs/Milestones/ResidentFlyer.pdf

Implementation Guidebook, new 2020 - https://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/Milestones%20Implementation%202020.pdf?ver=2020-05-20-152402-013

Assessment Guidebook, new 2020 -

https://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/PDFs/Milestones/Guidebooks/AssessmentGuidebook.pdf?ver=2020-11-18-155141-527

Milestones National Report, updated each fall -

https://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/PDFs/Milestones/2019MilestonesNationalReportFinal.pdf?ver=2019-09-30-110837-587 (2019)

Milestones Bibliography, updated twice each year -

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Developing Faculty Competencies in Assessment courses - https://www.acgme.org/Meetings-and-Educational-Activities/Other-Educational-Activities/Courses-and-Workshops/Developing-Faculty-Competencies-in-Assessment

Assessment Tool: Direct Observation of Clinical Care (DOCC) - https://dl.acgme.org/pages/assessment

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