CanMEDS Rotation Objectives – Plastic Surgery
RCPS Emergency Medicine Residency Program
Department of Emergency Medicine
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*While all objectives may not be accomplished in a single rotation, the aim is for the resident to actively seek learning opportunities to fulfill these objectives while on a particular rotation. Many of these objectives will overlap with other rotations. By the end of the residency program, all objectives should be covered.

Medical Expert
The learner should:
• Develop clinical assessment of plastic surgery emergencies
• Develop proficiency in managing burns
• Develop proficiency in managing facial injuries
• Develop proficiency in managing hand injuries

The learner should gain experience in the following technical skills:
• Suturing complex lacerations
• Wound care (including burns)
• Splinting positions and techniques for injuries of the hand (ie volar plate injuries, tendon injuries)
• Interpretation of Xrays of the hand and face

The learner should gain knowledge of, and where applicable, experience in the following technical skills:
• Revision amputation
• Reduction of hand fracture/dislocations
• Extensor tendon repair

Communicator
The learner should develop communication skills to:
• Communicate effectively with patients and families
• Keep accurate and efficient records

Collaborator
The learner should strive to:
• Recognize the roles of and interact effectively with other physicians and health care workers

Leader
The learner should strive to:
• Develop awareness of appropriate use of health care resources
• Develop team leadership skills

Health Advocate
The learner should strive to:
• Understand when and how to advocate appropriate on behalf of patients
• Understand the determinants of health and their impact on patients
Scholar
The learner should develop:
  • Proficiency in critical appraisal of the literature, as applicable
  • The ability to apply current literature into daily practice

Professional
The learner should:
  • Demonstrate integrity and honesty
  • Demonstrate compassion and respect in all patient encounters
  • Learn and apply ethical principles appropriately
  • Be aware of personal limitations and seek assistance when appropriate