**Career Planning Elective: Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery**

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**Other teaching faculty involved in this rotation:** *see Departmental website*

**Hospitals/Sites for this rotation:** *LSU Interim Hospital; Children’s Hospital; Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center (OLOLRMC). Students are assigned to Children’s Hospital if there is space available and to the LSU Interim Hospital.*

**On the first day of this rotation, the students should report to:** *Varies according to site so please call Ms Deanna Loerwald at 568-4785 at least one day prior to the rotation.*

**Dress code:**  *Medical students are to dress professionally at all times. White coats must be clean. Male students are to wear a dress shirt and tie to clinic and female students are to wear slacks or a dress and close toed shoes. Scrubs are to be worn to the OR only.*

**Goals/Objectives for this rotation:**

* *Improve skills in taking an ENT history* 
  + *Understand critical signs and symptoms* 
    - *Unresponsive sinonasal disease*
    - *Unresponsive ear disease*
    - *Hoarseness/stridor/dysphagia/odynophagia*
    - *Airway emergencies*
    - *Head and neck masses/tumors*
* *Increase competence in the examination of the head and neck* 
  + *Learn how to use the following tools:* 
    - *Pneumatic otoscope*
    - *Headlamp/head mirror*
    - *Tongue depressor*
    - *Laryngeal mirror*
    - *Nasal speculum*
    - *Tuning forks*
    - *Bimanual palpation*
    - *Fiberoptic telescope*
* *Acquisition of knowledge regarding otolaryngologic pathologies in order to formulate a differential diagnosis.*
* *Formulate treatment plan for common head and neck disorders including clinical and / or surgical management.*
* *Be able to write a SOAP and comprehensive note for both in and out patients*

**Didactics schedule for students on this rotation:**

*Students must attend Medicine Orientation on the first day of the 12 week block and take the Medicine shelf examination at the end of the 12 week block regardless of their elective subblock.  ENT didactics are a weekly Otology, Board Review and Head and Neck Tumor Board Conferences and monthly Didactic Day lectures held on the 1st Tuesday of each month.*

**What clinical responsibilities will the students have, including typical hours?**

*They will participate in patient care in both the inpatient and outpatient patient settings and in*

*the operating room. The typical hours at adult locations extend from 5 am to 7 pm and*

*from 6:30 am to 5 pm at Children’s Hospital. Students will not be required to take call.*

**What additional responsibilities (eg. other didactics, assignments) will the students have?**

*1) All students are expected to dress professionally at all times and to wear a clean white coat.*

*Scrubs are not to be worn to clinic.*

*2) They are expected to be familiar with how to perform a head and neck exam prior to the start of the rotation. Each is expected to perform a head and neck exam using a head mirror or head light.*

*3) They are expected to read about the OR cases and about patient diseases on a daily basis.*

*4) They are expected to know head and neck anatomy.*

**Evaluation of students on this rotation:** *Standard OME evaluation form*

*Students should be able to perform a head and neck exam at the end of the rotation. The residents and supervising faculty will complete the evaluation.*

**Other additional important information for students on this rotation:**

*If a student is interested in Otolaryngology as his chosen career, he should meet with Drs. Hetzler and Nuss to discuss career plans and for guidance in achieving his career goals.*

**\*\*\*This elective is approved for Rural Track students in New Orleans \*\*\***