**OB-GYN COURSE OBJECTIVES**

The course objectives are designed to achieve the clinical competencies and objectives of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology of the Louisiana State University School of Medicine. These objectives incorporate the educational objectives of a third year clinical clerkship as defined by the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics.

By the completion of the clerkship in Obstetrics and Gynecology, the student will be able to:

1. Develop competence in the medical interview and physical examination of women and incorporate ethical, social, and diversity perspectives to provide culturally competent health care.
2. Apply recommended prevention strategies to women throughout the life-span.
3. Recognize his/her role as a leader and advocate for women.
4. Demonstrate knowledge of preconception care including the impact of genetics, medical conditions and environmental factors on maternal health and fetal development.
5. Explain the normal physiologic changes of pregnancy including interpretation of common diagnostic studies.
6. Describe common problems in obstetrics.
7. Demonstrate knowledge of intrapartum care.
8. Demonstrate knowledge of postpartum care of the mother and newborn.
9. Describe menstrual cycle physiology, discuss puberty and menopause and explain normal and abnormal bleeding.
10. Describe the etiology and evaluation of infertility
11. Develop a thorough understanding of contraception, including sterilization and abortion.
12. Demonstrate knowledge of common benign gynecological conditions.
13. Formulate a differential diagnosis of the acute abdomen and chronic pelvic pain.
14. Describe common breast conditions and outline the evaluation of breast complaints.
15. Demonstrate knowledge of perioperative care and familiarity with gynecological procedures.
16. Describe gynecological malignancies including risk factors, signs and symptoms and initial evaluation.
17. Provide a preliminary assessment of patients with sexual concerns.

I have received and reviewed the LSUHSC OB-GYN Course Objectives.

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