

Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine Lecture Series Description

Fetal Board

Description & Goals:

Fetal Board is a multidisciplinary conference with clinical and educational components. The goal of this conference are to: 1) provide coordination of antenatal and post partum care of common fetal anomalies between perinatology, neonatology, and pediatric subspecialties, 2) Identify and review controversial topics in perinatology, and 3) Improve coordination of care by monthly multidisciplinary review of active patients.

Objectives: Through active participation and presentation in this conference, the participant will:

1. Observe and identify interactions between professionals and subspecialists.
2. Identify and review controversial subjects in perinatology and their neonatal consequences.
3. Participate in a multidisciplinary discussion in which the care of perinatal patients is reviewed.

Mechanisms to Achieve Goals and Objectives:

The trainee will participate in multidisciplinary discussions related to patient care issues that arise in perinatal medicine or neonatal medicine. Participants will include representatives from Maternal-Fetal Medicine, Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, pediatric and obstetric house staff and other trainees, representatives from genetics, ultrasound technicians and other medical and surgical subspecialties as appropriate for the planned discussion. Discussions will be case-based. In addition to discussions, didactic presentations may be included to further participants' understanding of disease processes and therapeutic and diagnostic options.

Competencies:

The meeting will contribute to the development of competency in the following areas:

1. Patient care: the trainee will participate in a care team to provide family-centered effective care to pregnant women and their fetus
2. Medical knowledge: the trainee will understand the scope of established and evolving scientific knowledge related to perinatal care and interpret/apply this knowledge as part of a team of providers.
3. Interpersonal skills and communication: the trainee will demonstrate appropriate interpersonal and communication skills in a group setting that facilitate the exchange of information among various professionals
4. Professionalism: the trainee will demonstrate a commitment to carrying out professional responsibilities.
5. Systems-Based Practice: The trainee will recognize and identify the intricacies of health care systems in maternal-fetal and neonatal-perinatal medicine , identify how practitioners in such systems become advocates for individual patients, and how coordination of care effects outcomes and safety.

Coordinator:

The conference is coordinated by Maternal-Fetal Medicine fellows in collaboration with neonatology.