

**Obstetrics & Gynecology: Foundations EPA #9**

**Providing consultation for patients with gynecologic conditions**

Key Features:

- This EPA includes the assessment, counselling, initial management and follow-up for out-patients with gynecologic conditions including: menstrual disorders; menopausal disorders including postmenopausal bleeding and endometrial biopsy; vulvovaginal complaints including vulvar biopsy; adnexal masses; sexually transmitted infections, including pelvic inflammatory disease (PID); and primary preventive care (Pap smears, HPV vaccination).
- This EPA includes appropriate documentation, i.e., consult letter, and communication with the referring health care provider.

Assessment Plan:

Direct and indirect observation by OBGYN faculty, subspecialty trainee, Core or TTP trainee or other attending supervisor (dermatology, infectious disease, hematology, family physician)

Use Form 1. Form collects information on:

- Presentation: menopausal disorders including postmenopausal bleeding; menstrual disorders; vulvovaginal complaints; adnexal masses; sexually transmitted infections; primary dysmenorrhea; gynecologic preventative care
- Procedure: not applicable; endometrial biopsy; cervical biopsy; vulvar biopsy; LARC insertion; Pap smear

Collect 5 observations of achievement

- At least 3 different types of patient presentations and the related procedure
- At least 3 observers must be OBGYN faculty
- At least 2 different observers

CanMEDS milestones:

- 1 ME 1.4 Apply clinical and biomedical sciences to manage presentations in gynecologic care**
- 2 ME 2.2 Perform a patient assessment including history and physical exam**
- 3 ME 2.2 Select appropriate investigations and interpret the results**
- 4 ME 2.4 Develop and implement an initial management plan for common gynecologic conditions**
- 5 ME 3.1 Describe the indications, contraindications, risks, and alternatives for a given procedure or therapy**
- 6 ME 3.2 Obtain and document informed consent, explaining the risks, benefits, alternatives and the rationale for the proposed treatment options**
- 7 ME 3.4 Perform common procedures in a skilful, fluid, and safe manner, including endometrial or vulvar biopsy, LARC insertion or Pap smear**
- 8 COM 4.3 Answer questions from the patient and family about next steps**

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- 9 COM 5.1 Document the clinical encounter to adequately convey findings, clinical reasoning and the rationale for decisions**
- 10 HA 1.3** Work with the patient to identify opportunities for disease prevention, health promotion, and health protection