Surgical Foundations: Transition to Discipline EPA #4

Demonstrating handover technique

Key Features:
- This EPA focuses on the transitions of care that occur between residents and/or at times of patient transfer to another health care setting or location.
- Key aspects of this task include accurate and effective communication as well as professionalism in the use of medical information technology.
- This EPA may be observed in the simulation setting.

Assessment Plan:

Direct observation by supervisor (surgeon, senior surgical assistant, senior resident or fellow)

Use Form 1. Form collects information on:
- Setting: clinical; simulation

Collect 2 observations of achievement
- At least 1 observation in a clinical setting
- At least 2 different assessors

CanMEDS Milestones:

1. ME 5.2 Use structured handover tools and strategies to enhance patient safety
2. ME 2.1 Identify patients at risk for sudden deterioration in clinical status
3. COL 3.2 Summarize and prioritize patient issues providing rationale for key decisions
4. COL 3.2 Communicate plans for ongoing management of patients, such as outstanding investigations and anticipated events or outcomes
5. COL 3.2 Answer questions from the receiving physician(s) during transitions in care, clarifying issues as needed
6. L 4.3 Use information technology in a manner that improves patient safety, recognizing its limitations and risks to privacy and confidentiality