Supplemental Digital Appendix 1

Program Objectives and Assessment Methods

Medical Education Program Objectives	Assessment Methods
Knowledge of the theories and principles that govern	Paper or Oral Presentation
ethical decision making, and of the major ethical	Peer Assessment
dilemmas in medicine, particularly those that arise at	
the beginning and end of life, those that arise from the	
knowledge of genetics, and those that threaten medical	
professionalism posed by conflicts of interest inherent	
in various financial and organizational arrangements	
for the practice of medicine. [SEP]	
Knowledge of the normal structure and function of the	NBME Customized Exams
body and of each of its major organ systems. [SEP]	Lab or Practical Exams
Knowledge of the molecular, biochemical, and cellular	NBME Customized Exams
mechanisms that are important in maintaining the	Lab or Practical Exams
body's homeostasis.	
Knowledge of the various causes (genetic,	NBME Customized Exams
developmental, metabolic, toxic, microbiologic,	Lab or Practical Exams
autoimmune, neoplastic, degenerative, and traumatic)	
of maladies and the ways in which they operate in the	
body (pathogenesis). [sep]	
Knowledge of the altered structure and function	NBME Customized Exams
(pathology and patho- physiology) of the body and its	Lab or Practical Exams
major organ systems that are seen in various diseases	
and conditions.	
An understanding of the power of the scientific method	NBME Customized Exams
in establishing the causation of disease and efficacy of	
traditional and non-traditional therapies.	
Knowledge of the most frequent clinical, laboratory,	NBME Customized Exams
roentgenologic, and pathologic manifestations of	
common maladies.	
Knowledge about relieving pain and ameliorating the	NBME Customized Exams
suffering of patients.	
Knowledge of the important non-biological	NBME Customized Exams
determinants of poor health and of the economic,	
psychological, social, and cultural factors that	
contribute to the development and/or continuation of	
maladies.	
Knowledge of the epidemiology of common maladies	NBME Customized Exams
within a defined population and the systematic	
approaches useful in reducing the incidence and	
prevalence of those maladies.	
Knowledge of various approaches to the organization,	NBME Customized Exams
financing, and delivery of health care.	

The ability to obtain an accurate medical history that	Faculty/Resident Rating
covers all essential aspects [5] of the history, including	Oral patient presentation
issues related to age, gender, and socio-economic	OSCE
status.	
The ability to perform both a complete and a focused	Faculty/Resident Rating
examination, including a mental status examination.	Oral patient presentation
	OSCE
The ability to perform routine technical procedures	Faculty/Resident Rating
including, at a minimum: venipuncture, inserting an	OSCE
intravenous catheter, arterial puncture, inserting a	
nasogastric tube, inserting a Foley catheter, and	
suturing lacerations.	
The ability to interpret the results of commonly used	Faculty/Resident Rating
diagnostic procedures.	Oral patient presentation
	OSCE
The ability to reason deductively in solving clinical	Faculty/Resident Rating
problems.	Oral patient presentation
	OSCE
The ability to construct appropriate management	Faculty/Resident Rating
strategies (both diagnostic and therapeutic) for patients	Oral patient presentation
with common conditions (both acute and chronic),	OSCE
including medical, psychiatric, and surgical conditions,	
and those requiring short- and long-term rehabilitation.	
The ability to recognize patients with immediately life-	Faculty/Resident Rating
threatening cardiac, pulmonary, or neurological	Oral patient presentation
conditions regardless of etiology, and to institute	OSCE
appropriate initial therapy.	
The ability to recognize and outline an initial course of	Faculty/Resident Rating
management for patients with serious conditions	Oral patient presentation
requiring critical care.	OSCE
The ability to communicate effectively, both orally and	Faculty/Resident Rating
in writing, with patients, patients' families, colleagues,	Oral patient presentation
and others with whom physicians must exchange	OSCE
information while carrying out their responsibilities.	Paper
	Peer Assessment
The ability to identify factors that place individuals at	Faculty/Resident Rating
risk for disease or injury, to select appropriate tests for	Oral patient presentation
detecting patients at risk for specific diseases or in the	OSCE
early stages of disease, and to determine strategies for	
responding appropriately.	T 1. /D 11 . D 1
An understanding of, and respect for, the roles of other	Faculty/Resident Rating
health care professionals, and of the need to collaborate	Paper
with others in caring for individual patients and in	
promoting the health of defined populations.	

Compassionate treatment of patients, and respect for	Faculty/Resident Rating
their privacy and dignity.	Oral patient presentation
	OSCE
Honesty and integrity in all interactions with patients,	Faculty/Resident Rating
patients' families, col- leagues, and others with whom	Oral patient presentation
physicians must interact in their professional lives.	OSCE
	Peer Assessment
A commitment to advocate at all times the interests of	Faculty/Resident Rating
one's patients over one's own interest.	
A commitment to provide care to patients who are	Faculty/Resident Rating
unable to pay and to advocate for access to health care	Oral patient presentation
for members of traditionally underserved populations.	
The capacity to recognize and accept limitations in	Faculty/Resident Rating
one's knowledge and clinical skills, and a commitment	Paper
to continuously improve one's knowledge and ability.	
An understanding of the need to engage in lifelong	Faculty/Resident Rating
learning to stay abreast of relevant scientific advances,	Paper
especially in the disciplines of genetics and molecular	
biology.	
The ability to retrieve (from electronic databases and	Faculty/Resident Rating
other resources), manage, and utilize biomedical	Oral patient presentation
information for solving problems and making decisions	OSCE
that are relevant to the care of individuals and	
populations.	