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Milestones Supplemental Guide

This document provides additional guidance and examples for the Infectious Disease Milestones. This is not designed to indicate any specific requirements for each level, but to provide insight into the thinking of the Milestone Work Group.

Included in this document is the intent of each Milestone and examples of what a Clinical Competency Committee (CCC) might expect to be observed/assessed at each level. Also included are suggested assessment models and tools for each subcompetency, references, and other useful information.

Review this guide with the CCC and faculty members. As the program develops a shared mental model of the Milestones, consider creating an individualized guide (Supplemental Guide Template available) with institution/program-specific examples, assessment tools used by the program, and curricular components.

Additional tools and references, including the Milestones Guidebook, Clinical Competency Committee Guidebook, and Milestones Guidebook for Residents and Fellows, are available on the <u>Resources</u> page of the Milestones section of the ACGME website.

 Patient Care 1: History and Physical Examination

 Overall Intent: To obtain an appropriate history and perform a comprehensive and targeted physical exam to provide accurate diagnosis

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winestones	
Level 1 Acquires a foundational history for	Obtains a thorough yet concise internal medicine history
common infectious diseases and syndromes	
Performs a foundational physical examination	 Performs a thorough yet concise internal medicine physical exam
Level 2 Acquires a complete history, including	 Reports on recent travel abroad in a patient with fever and a rash
specific host and environmental factors	
Performs an examination that elicits common or	• Examines all central line sites in an intensive care unit (ICU) patient
straightforward infectious diseases and	
syndromes	
Level 3 Acquires a detailed history incorporating	Calls outside laboratory to obtain undated culture data for a transferred patient
pertinent supplemental information	
Performs an examination that elicits uncommon	• Comments on presence or absence of Osler's nodes on a patient with bloodstream
or complicated infectious diseases and	infection, prompting concern for endocarditic
or complicated intectious diseases and	
Syndromes	
Level 4 Acquires a tailored history that	• In a case of suspected culture-negative endocarditis, reviews outside nospital medical
incorporates epidemiology, past clinical data,	records in detail to determine if antibiotics were administered prior to obtaining cultures
and nuances specific for suspected pathogens	
or syndromes	
Performs a tailored examination that elicits	Notices subtle skin findings in a patient with neutropenic fever, prompting consideration
subtle findings of infectious diseases and	for disseminated fungal infection
syndromes	
Level 5 Serves as a role model in obtaining a	Conducts a seminar with junior colleagues focused on subtle history and physical exam
history that identifies subtle details and resolves	findings in patients with uncommon zoonoses
ambiguity in the patient history	
Serves as a role model who has mastered the	
art of examination that helps in making a	
definitive diagnosis	
Assessment Models or Tools	Assessment of case conference presentations
	Direct observation

	 E-modules End-of-rotation evaluations Medical record (chart) audit Multisource feedback Reflection Standardized patients
Curriculum Mapping	
Notes or Resources	 Bennett JE, Dolin R, Blaser MJ. Mandell, Douglas, and Bennett's Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases. 8th ed. Elsevier Inc.; 2015. <u>https://www.sciencedirect.com/book/9781455748013/mandell-douglas-and-bennetts-</u> principles-and-practice-of-infectious-diseases. 2020.

Patient Care 2: Management of Patients with Possible and Proven Infectious Diseases Overall Intent: To develop comprehensive management plans for patients with infections

Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Develops an initial assessment for patients with low-complexity conditions	 Diagnoses cellulitis while recognizing other possible causes of erythema
Level 2 Develops initial and follow-up management plans for patients with low- complexity conditions	 In a patient with purulent cellulitis and no methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) risk factors, recommends intravenous (IV) cefazolin followed by an oral option for an appropriate duration with no need for infectious diseases follow-up
Level 3 Develops an initial and follow-up plan for patients with moderate-complexity conditions and adjusts the plan over the course of clinical care	 Recommends vancomycin with weekly drug monitoring in a patient with MRSA bacteremia and changes to daptomycin (or other appropriate anti-MRSA drug) in response to drug-induced leukopenia
Level 4 Develops a comprehensive management plan, including contingency plans for patients with complex conditions	 Initiates amphotericin B in a patient with disseminated histoplasmosis with the contingency plan to switch to itraconazole in the event of acute kidney injury
Level 5 Develops customized management plans for all patients, regardless of the complexity of the condition, and incorporating diagnostic uncertainty and cost effectiveness	• For a patient living with acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) who presents with a ring-enhancing lesion in the brain, recommends appropriate empiric treatment for toxoplasmosis; recommends trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole for treatment if pyrimethamine cannot be obtained at a reasonable price due to market monopoly and recent price increase; has a contingency plan to evaluate for central nervous system lymphoma if lesion does not improve on imaging after two weeks
Assessment Models or Tools	 Assessment of case conference presentations Clinical reasoning exercises Direct observation E-modules End-of-rotation evaluations Medical record (chart) audit Multisource feedback Multiple choice questions Reflection Standardized patients
Curriculum Mapping	
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Patient Care 3: Consultative Care Overall Intent: To provide comprehensive consultation for patients with signs and symptoms of infection	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Respectfully responds to a consultation request and conveys recommendations, with supervision	Receives consult for patient about to leave against medical advice and discusses with attending who helps fellow provide immediate recommendations to the consulting service
Recognizes consult acuity and urgency, with supervision	
Level 2 Identifies and clarifies the clinical questions and recommendations for the consultation	 Fellow calls resident to clarify the clinical question when the initial consult question from another member of the primary team is not clear
Recognizes consult acuity and urgency independently	 Recognizes urgency of a septic patient in ICU not responding to antibiotics and notifies attending immediately
Level 3 Seeks and integrates input from different members of the health care team and provides recommendations to the primary team in a clear and timely manner	 Confirms dose adjustment of vancomycin with pharmacist and conveys this to team prior to the next dose
Prioritizes workflow in response to consult acuity and urgency	 When paged in the middle of rounds recommends the infectious disease team immediately go to the emergency department to see a returning traveler with fever and rash
Level 4 Provides comprehensive and prioritized recommendations, including assessment and rationale to all necessary health care team members	 Provides recommendations on type of testing needed on lymph node biopsy followed by empiric antibiotic treatment, and explains clinical decision to team on rounds
Mobilizes resources to provide care in an urgent situation	 Assists the primary service in communicating to a surgical service the need for urgent evaluation in a patient with necrotizing fasciitis
Level 5 Leads the health care team in the provision of effective consultative services across the spectrum of disease complexity and acuity	 When called about a case of severe malaria overnight, calls pharmacy and Centers for Disease Control (CDC) to provide appropriate treatment, and communicates with the admitting team to provide a contingency plan
Assessment Models or Tools	Assessment of case conference presentations Direct observation

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Medical Knowledge 1: Diagnostic Reasoning

Overall Intent: To incorporate patient-specific factors in deciding upon diagnostic strategies; recognize progressively more complex and rare diagnoses in appropriate patients and sources of diagnostic error

Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Integrates patient-specific information to generate a limited differential diagnosis	 Applies travel history, environmental exposures, medications, and immune status to prioritize the differential diagnosis Incorporates sexual history for a patient with proctocolitis
Level 2 Provides a limited prioritized differential diagnosis using supporting rationale	 Includes pneumocystis pneumonia, tuberculosis, cryptococcus and endemic mycoses on the differential diagnosis for a patient with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)/AIDS presenting with subacute cough and a CD4 cell count (i.e., T cell count) less than 100 cells/mm³ Recognizes that tuberculosis, strongyloidiasis, and other chronic infections can be an important part of the differential diagnosis inpatients who have previously lived outside the US in areas endemic for these infections
Level 3 Formulates a prioritized differential diagnosis; demonstrates the ability to modify a diagnosis based on a patient's clinical course and additional data	 Places pneumocystis pneumonia lower on the differential diagnosis or a patient with advanced HIV (CD4 less than 100 cells/mm³) and subacute cough due to the presence of pleural effusions and lymphadenopathy on chest imaging, and a negative B-D-glucan Recognizes that an invasive fungal infection has moved higher on the differential diagnosis in a patient with fever and neutropenia who has not defervesced within four to seven days, despite appropriate broad-spectrum antibacterials
Level 4 Formulates a differential diagnosis to include atypical presentations and uncommon disorders; recognizes sources of diagnostic error	 In a stem cell transplant recipient with fever and respiratory failure, considers opportunistic infections, drug reactions, graft versus host disease (GvHD) and other non-infectious complications in formulating the differential diagnosis; considers strongyloides hyperinfection syndrome in such a patient with possible prior exposure to strongyloidiasis, despite negative post-transplant serology for this pathogen Understands the different types of individual and system factors that lead to diagnostic errors
Level 5 Formulates a differential diagnosis to include newly recognized and emerging conditions	 Includes COVID-19 in the differential diagnosis for a patient with fever and unexplained pulmonary embolism Includes Zika virus infection in the differential diagnosis for a returning traveler from an endemic region with fever and arthralgias Includes <i>Candida auris</i> in the differential diagnosis for a patient with candidemia initially reported as <i>Candida haemulonii</i> by the lab
Assessment Models or Tools	 Assessment of case conference presentations Direct observation

	 E-modules End-of-rotation evaluations Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA) in-training examination Medical record (chart) audit Multisource feedback Multiple choice questions Reflection
Curriculum Mapping	
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Medical Knowledge 2: Diagnostic Evaluation	
Overall Intent: To understand and apply appropriate diagnostic evaluation	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Demonstrates foundational knowledge of diagnostic evaluation for pathogens	 Recognizes polymerase chain reaction testing is used to detect some viruses Recognizes blood cultures should be collected prior to antibiotic administration Understands that a respiratory multiplex polymerase chain reaction test does not provide antimicrobial susceptibility information
Demonstrates foundational knowledge of diagnostic evaluation for clinical syndromes	 Recognizes what tests to order from cerebrospinal fluid to help diagnose meningoencephalitis Understands the use and limitations of a white blood cell count when evaluating for infections
Level 2 Applies knowledge of diagnostic evaluation for common pathogens	 Justifies the need for serial blood cultures in the management of <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> bacteremia Identifies the importance of both direct and indirect serologic testing to diagnose and stage syphilis Identifies that a polymerase chain reaction result for mecA indicates methicillin resistance
Applies knowledge of indications for diagnostic evaluation for common clinical syndromes	 Rationalizes the need for an ophthalmology consult for patients with candidemia Appropriately recommends when echocardiography is needed in the setting of fever of unknown origin
Level 3 Applies knowledge of indications for diagnostic evaluation of uncommon pathogens, antimicrobial resistance, and therapeutic drug monitoring	 Recognizes serology is used to support a diagnosis of suspected brucellosis Understands drug levels are indicated to establish therapeutic concentrations in patients being treated with voriconazole for invasive aspergillosis
Applies diagnostic testing in consideration of risks, benefits, and consequences for clinical syndromes	• Discusses risks and benefits of performing a transesophageal echo in a patient with staphylococcal bacteremia and history of prior esophageal perforation
Level 4 Interprets diagnostic evaluations for pathogens and clinical syndromes, considering performance characteristics, limitations, and nuances	 Understands that a negative histoplasma urine antigen has different implications for diagnosis of pulmonary versus disseminated histoplasmosis Can discuss positive predictive value of a polymerase chain reaction for <i>Clostridioides difficile</i> Understands how to apply interferon gamma release assays in the evaluation for tuberculosis exposure

Level 5 Teaches others the nuances of directed	• Teaches diagnostic evaluation on rounds to peers, medical students, interprofessional
diagnostic evaluation for pathogens and clinical	health team members
syndromes	 Lectures medical students, residents, peers about diagnostic evaluation
	 Teaches diagnostic evaluation when providing consultation recommendations
Assessment Models or Tools	Assessment of case conference presentations
	Direct observation
	• E-modules
	End-of-rotation evaluations
	IDSA in-training examination
	Medical record (chart) audit
	Multisource feedback
	Multiple choice questions
	Reflection
Curriculum Mapping	
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	UpToDate. <u>https://www.uptodate.com/home</u> . 2020.
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	Choosing Wisely. https://www.choosingwisely.org/ . 2020.

Medical Knowledge 3: Treatment and Therapeutics including Anti-Infectives, Immunoprophylaxis, and Adjunctive Therapies Overall Intent: To develop comprehensive treatment plans

Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Demonstrates foundational knowledge	Recognizes vancomycin is a primary therapeutic option for the treatment of MRSA
or common anti-infectives, including spectrum of	
activity, contraindications, and clinical	Recognizes penicillin is the drug of choice for the treatment of beta-hemolytic streptococci
Indications	• Understands to give steroids before antibiotics for <i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> meningitis
	Recognizes ertapenem does not have activity against <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>
	 Understands to avoid use of Trimethoprim/Sulfamethoxazole (TMP-SMX) in a patient with sulfa allergies
	 Understands to avoid live-virus vaccines in immunocompromised natients
Level 2 Demonstrates knowledge of common	Becognizes fluoroquinolones have a black box warning for causing tendinopathy
anti-infectives immunoprophylaxis and	Recognizes need for the apeutic drug monitoring for certain antibiotics, such as
adjunctive therapies, including dosing.	vancomvcin
monitoring, and adverse effects	 Dose-adjusts renally-cleared antibiotics based on creatinine clearance
	 Recognizes when antimicrobial prophylaxis is indicated for various states of
	immunosuppression
Level 3 Demonstrates knowledge of common	 Recognizes that divalent cations impair the absorption of oral fluoroquinolones
anti-infectives, immunoprophylaxis, and adjunctive therapies, including resistance	 Recognizes the interaction between linezolid and selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) and potential risk of serotonin syndrome
mechanisms, drug interactions, and relative	Recognizes the need to adjust dosing regimens based on certain drug-drug interactions
effectiveness	• Prescribes integrase inhibitor-based antiretroviral regimens instead of protease inhibitor-
	based regimens because of improved efficacy and tolerability compared to other regimens
	 Uses the HIV genotype result to help guide antiretroviral selection in patients who have resistance
Level 4 Demonstrates knowledge of uncommon	• Familiar with recently Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved antibiotic options for
anti-infectives, infinitutiopropriyiaxis, and	nullidiug-resistant infections
aujunctive therapies, including dosing,	• Recognizes unique adverse effects of recently approved FDA-approved drugs
interactions adverse effects and relative	Onderstands the rationale for continuous in infusions of beta-factarity as related to the property of time-dependent killing
effectiveness	• Uses a carbapenem when expression of the CTX-M gene in an <i>E_coli</i> is identified from a
	blood culture
Level 5 Teaches others the nuances of anti-	• In a teaching session to the residents, links the class and mechanism of action of a drug
infectives, immunoprophylaxis, and adjunctive	to its antimicrobial effect, spectrum of activity, toxicities, and microbial mechanisms that
therapies	confer resistance to the drug

	 Delivers a teaching session to the clinic nurses on the subtleties of which vaccines can be co-administered versus those that have to be spaced, and how far apart in time Teaches the transplant team that close monitoring and dose adjustments in immunosuppression will be required when stopping voriconazole
Assessment Models or Tools	 Assessment of case conference presentations Direct observation E-modules End-of-rotation evaluations IDSA in-training examination Medical record (chart) audit Multisource feedback Multiple choice questions Reflection
Curriculum Mapping	
Notes or Resources	 UpToDate. <u>https://www.uptodate.com/home</u>. 2020. Infectious Diseases Society of America. IDSA Practice Guidelines. <u>https://www.idsociety.org/practice-guideline/practice-guidelines/#/date_na_dt/DESC/0/+/</u>. 2020. Johns Hopkins Medicine. Johns Hopkins Antibiotic Guide. <u>https://www.hopkinsguides.com/hopkins/index/Johns Hopkins ABX Guide/All Topics/A</u>. 2020. Sanford Guide. Sanford Guide to Antimicrobial Therapy. <u>https://www.sanfordguide.com/</u>. 2020. Shapiro R. Transplant infectious diseases guidelines. <i>The Journal of Clinical and Translational Research</i>. 2019;33(9). <u>https://www.myast.org/education/publications/infectious-diseases-guidelines-4th-edition</u>. 2020.

Medical Knowledge 4: Infection Control/Prevention, Antimicrobial Stewardship, and Epidemiology
Overall Intent: To understand and apply principles of infection control/prevention, antimicrobial stewardship, and epidemiology

Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Demonstrates foundational knowledge of the principles of infection prevention	Understands the difference between droplet and airborne precautions
Demonstrates foundational knowledge of the principles of antimicrobial stewardship	 Recognizes that overuse of antimicrobials leads to unnecessary toxicity and resistance Dons and doffs personal protective equipment (PPE) appropriately and safely
Level 2 Implements infection prevention measures for common situations	 Recommends droplet precautions in cases of suspected <i>Neisseria meningitidis</i> meningitis Recommends airborne precautions in patients with suspected tuberculosis
Implements antimicrobial stewardship practices for common situations	 Recommends de-escalation from piperacillin-tazobactam to cefazolin in patients with methicillin-susceptible <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MSSA) bacteremia Recommends cessation of antimicrobials in patients with asymptomatic bacteriuria
Demonstrates basic knowledge of the principles of epidemiology	 Understands the definition of an outbreak Understands a case-control study can be used in outbreak investigations
Level 3 Implements infection prevention measures for uncommon situations	 Notifies laboratory personnel when sending respiratory samples in suspected coccidioidomycosis evaluations
Implements antimicrobial stewardship practices for uncommon situations	• Discusses with primary teams the nuances of antimicrobial prescribing in patients with terminal illnesses
Practices the basic principles of epidemiology, including identifying and responding to common epidemiological events	 Notifies infection preventionist of cases of hospital-acquired suppurative thrombophlebitis Notifies local public health department of cases of suspected Zika virus
Level 4 Teaches infection prevention practices to health care providers, patients, and the medical community	 Teaches interdisciplinary team members about limited efficacy of hand sanitizer against spores
Teaches health care providers, patients, and the medical community antimicrobial stewardship practices	• Teaches medical students not to start antibiotics for asymptomatic bacteriuria
Teaches on the epidemiological impact of infectious diseases on population health	• Teaches residents about global impact of diarrhea on pediatric mortality

Level 5 Demonstrates innovation and leadership in infection prevention practices Demonstrates innovation and leadership in antimicrobial stewardship practices	 Serves as an active member of hospital infection prevention or antimicrobial stewardship committees Leads a stewardship project evaluating changes in prescribing practices following implementation of polymerase chain reaction panel for meningitis
Leads a team in identifying and responding to epidemiological events	Leads an investigation of a cluster of Stenotrophomonas pneumonia infections in the ICU
Assessment Models or Tools	 Assessment of case conference presentations Direct observation E-modules End-of-rotation evaluations IDSA in-training examination Medical record (chart) audit Multisource feedback Multiple choice questions Reflection Simulation
Curriculum Mapping	
Notes or Resources	 The Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America. <u>https://www.shea-online.org/</u>. 2020. Bennett JE, Dolin R, Blaser MJ. <i>Mandell, Douglas, and Bennett's Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases</i>. 8th ed. Elsevier Inc.; 2015. <u>https://www.sciencedirect.com/book/9781455748013/mandell-douglas-and-bennetts-principles-and-practice-of-infectious-diseases</u>. 2020. Infectious Diseases Society of America. IDSA Practice Guidelines. <u>https://www.idsociety.org/practice-guideline/practice-guidelines/#/date_na_dt/DESC/0/+/</u>. 2020.

Medical Knowledge 5: Pathophysiology and Foundational Science Overall Intent: To understand and apply principles of pathophysiology and foundational science to infectious diseases problems

Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Demonstrates basic knowledge of	• Recognizes humoral, cell-mediated, and innate immunity have a role in host response to
pathophysiological and foundational science	infections
pertaining to common infectious diseases and	 Recognizes vertebral osteomyelitis occurs predominantly through hematogenous spread
host response	
Level 2 Demonstrates advanced knowledge of	 Understands how impaired T cell function contributes to development of Pneumocystis
pathophysiological and foundational science	pneumonia
concepts pertaining to common infectious	• Understands the role of pro-inflammatory cytokines in the pathophysiology of sepsis
diseases and nost response	
Level 3 Applies advanced knowledge of	• Understands expanded diagnostic evaluation requirements for fever in the setting of
pathophysiological and foundational science	tumor necrosis factor (TNF)-alpha inhibitor use
	Understands the reason for prophylactic antifungals in patients with bone marrow
diseases and nost response	
Level 4 Applies advanced knowledge of	• Describes the unique pathogen characteristics of <i>Plasmodium faiciparum</i> that contribute
pathophysiological and foundational science	to the development of cerebral malaria
concepts pertaining to uncommon infectious	• Describes the appropriate immunization and antimicrobial prophylaxis in patients
diseases and nost response	receiving eculizumab
Level 5 Applies comprehensive knowledge of	Relates lessons learned from zoonotic crossover events during the SARS epidemic to
pathophysiology and foundational science	novel emerging coronaviruses
pertaining to new and emerging infectious	Uses basic science literature to help develop or update protocols for diagnostics and
diseases and issues of host response	treatments in novel infections or new resistant pathogens
Assessment Models or Tools	Assessment of case conference presentations
	Direct observation
	• E-modules
	End-of-rotation evaluations
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	Medical record (chart) audit
	Multisource feedback
	Reflection
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 World Health Organization. <u>https://www.who.int/</u>. 2020.
 International Journal of Infectious Disease. <u>https://www.ijidonline.com/</u>. 2020.
• Oxford Academic. Clinical Infectious Diseases. https://academic.oup.com/cid. 2020.
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Microbiology. 28th ed. McGraw Hill; 2019.
https://accessmedicine.mhmedical.com/book.aspx?bookID=2629. 2020.

Medical Knowledge 6: Scholarly Activity Overall Intent: To engage in and disseminate scholarly work	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Identifies areas worthy of scholarly activity	 Recognizes gaps in currently published literature about infections in patients receiving extracorporeal membrane oxygenation treatment Understands importance of conducting rigorous randomized control trials
Level 2 Plans a scholarly activity	 Writes a protocol to address a research or clinical question Successfully receives institutional review board (IRB) approval for a research study Performs comprehensive review of the literature Conducts a needs assessment for a quality improvement or educational project
Level 3 Implements scholarly activity	 Performs retrospective chart review Conducts statistical analysis on data Develops a parasite curriculum for internal medicine residents rotating on the infectious disease service
Level 4 Disseminates independent scholarly work, locally or regionally, that has generated new medical knowledge, educational programs, or process improvement	 Conducts teaching presentation at local institution Presents abstract at regional infectious disease society meeting Presents results of quality improvement project at institution patient safety conference
Level 5 Disseminates independent scholarly work, nationally or internationally, that has generated new medical knowledge, educational programs, or process improvement	 Publishes research paper in peer-reviewed journal Presents abstract at national meeting Publishes curriculum on Med Ed Portal
Assessment Models or Tools	 Assessment of case conference presentations Assessment of research development plan Direct observation Review of presentation or publication Teaching evaluations
Curriculum Mapping	
Notes or Resources	 National Library of Medicine. PubMed. <u>https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/</u>. 2020. Association of American Medical Colleges. MedEd Portal. <u>https://www.mededportal.org/</u>. 2020. Local graduate-level classes (biostatistics, epidemiology, etc) Online modules

Systems-Based Practice 1: Patient Safety	
Overall Intent: To engage in the analysis, prevention, and management of patient safety events	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Identifies patient safety events and discloses them to leadership, patients, and/or patients' family members	 Understands patient misidentification or medication errors are serious patient safety events Prevents administration of piperacillin-tazobactam in a patient with serious penicillin allergy
Demonstrates knowledge of how to report patient safety events	 Describes how to report errors in own clinical environment
Level 2 Analyzes the factors that contribute to patient safety events	 Identifies how lack of isolation signage and equipment may lead to increased infection rates
Reports patient safety events using the health system's reporting mechanism	 Reports empty hand sanitizer dispenser at clinical exam room to appropriate clinic leadership Files a patient safety incident report in the hospital's safety reporting system
Level 3 Offers prevention strategies to mitigate patient safety events	 Actively participates in morbidity and mortality presentations Independently confirms medication allergies during all patient encounters Reviews creatinine clearance in each patient before prescribing renally-dosed antibiotics
Level 4 Participates in efforts to modify systems to prevent patient safety events	 Leads implementation of an alert in the electronic health record (EHR) to notify physicians about an antibiotic allergy Participates in a hospital's hand hygiene campaign
Level 5 Leads efforts to modify systems to prevent patient safety events	 Assumes a leadership role at the departmental or institutional level for patient safety Conducts a simulation for disclosing patient safety events Leads an infection prevention project to reduce transmission of <i>C. difficile</i> within the hospital
Assessment Models or Tools	 Assessment of case conference presentations Direct observation E-modules End-of-rotation evaluations Medical record (chart) audit Multisource feedback Multiple choice questions Reflection Simulation
Curriculum Mapping	

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Systems-Based Practice 2: Quality Improvement Overall Intent: To identify quality improvement (QI) needs, and conduct QI interventions in the healthcare environment	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Demonstrates basic knowledge of quality improvement methodologies and metrics	 Describes the fishbone tool Describes PDSA (Plan-Do-Study-Act) cycle approach to QI Describes relevant QI metrics including hospital rates of central line-associated bloodstream infections, catheter-associated urinary tract infections, ventilator-associated events, etc.
Level 2 Identifies opportunities for quality improvement projects	 Uses patient panel management to identify patients with HIV who are not virologically suppressed and who would benefit from intensive adherence counseling and case management Identifies opportunity for improving rates of hand hygiene among health care workers
Level 3 Participates in quality improvement projects	 Participates in a project to de-escalate inappropriate broad-spectrum antibiotics use Participates in a project to increase adherence to guideline recommendations in patients with <i>S. aureus</i> bacteremia
Level 4 Demonstrates the skills required to identify, develop, implement, and analyze a quality improvement project	 Designs, implements and analyzes a QI project to improve human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination rates within the practice, including assessing the problem, articulating a broad goal, developing a SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, Time-bound) objective plan, and monitoring progress and challenges
Level 5 Leads quality improvement projects	 Initiates and completes a QI project to improve county HPV vaccination rates in collaboration with the county health department, and shares results with stakeholders
Assessment Models or Tools	 Assessment of case conference presentations Direct observation E-modules End-of-rotation evaluations Multisource feedback Multiple choice questions Reflection Review of quality improvement project Simulation
Curriculum Mapping	
Notes or Resources	 Institute of Healthcare Improvement. <u>http://www.ihi.org/Pages/default.aspx</u>. 2020. IDSA. Quality Improvement. <u>https://www.idsociety.org/clinical-practice/quality-improvement/quality-improvement.</u> 2020.

Systems-Based Practice 3: Coordination and Transitions of Care	
Overall Intent: To ensure the safe transition and coordination of care for patients across the entire health care system	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Identifies key elements for safe and	Understands the essential components of sign-out including patient identifiers, active
effective transitions and coordination of care and	issues and follow-up plan
hand-offs	 Understands the importance of coordinating an interdisciplinary meeting with infectious diseases, cardiology, cardiothoracic surgery, and internal medicine for a patient with endocarditis
	 Identifies that patients being discharged on intravenous antibiotics will need periodic
	laboratory monitoring, enrollment in an outpatient parenteral antibiotic therapy program, and follow-up in the outpatient infectious diseases clinic
Level 2 Performs safe and effective transitions	 Coordinates care with the infectious diseases clinic at the time of discharge from the
and coordination of care and hand-offs in routine	hospital
clinical situations	 Conveys pertinent clinical information to the next clinician assuming care of the patient
	 Obtains microbiology susceptibility results from the outside hospital from which a patient was transferred
Level 3 Performs safe and effective transitions	 Works with the social worker to coordinate infectious disease care after discharge for a
and coordination of care/hand-offs in complex	patient who is homeless
clinical situations	Conducts an interdisciplinary meeting between infectious diseases, cardiology, cardiac
	surgery, and internal medicine to coordinate a plan for a patient with endocarditis
Level 4 Role models and advocates for safe	• During inpatient rounds leads team members in approaching other clinicians to review
and effective transitions and coordination of	cases/recommendations, and arranges radiology rounds for the team
care/hand-offs within and across health care	Clarifies and explains to the primary medicine team that a patient with pulmonary
delivery systems	tuberculosis must have established care and health department follow-up
Level 5 Improves quality of transitions and	 Creates a new sign-out tool using information technology (IT) infrastructure
coordination of care within and across health	 Develops a protocol to improve linkage and retention in care for patients with HIV
care delivery systems to optimize patient	 Pilots a new initiative involving a daily multidisciplinary huddle in the infectious diseases
outcomes	clinic to improve patient care
Assessment Models or Tools	 Assessment of case conference presentations
	Direct observation
	• E-modules
	End-of-rotation evaluations
	Medical record (chart) audit
	Multisource feedback
	Multiple choice questions

	 Reflection Review of sign-out tools, use and review of checklists Simulation
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Systems-Based Practice 4: Population Health Overall Intent: To identify and address health care disparities that impact patients with infectious diseases at the community level		
Milestones	Examples	
Level 1 Demonstrates knowledge of population and community health needs and disparities	 Understands that under-insured patients may be unable to afford many antimicrobial options Understands the impact of social determinants on health outcomes 	
Level 2 Identifies specific population and community health needs and inequities for the local population	 Identifies the lack of access to infectious diseases experts in a community to be an important barrier to care Identifies the increased risk of dissemination of coccidioidomycosis among certain racial groups Identifies the higher prevalence of HIV acquisition among Black and Hispanic men who have sex with men (MSM) Identifies low rates of shingles vaccination coverage in the local population 	
Level 3 Identifies local resources effectively to meet the needs of a patient population and community	 Links under-insured patients to federally qualified health centers after discharge Identifies county health department sexually transmitted infection clinic as a resource for uninsured patients with gonorrhea infection Works with clinic social worker to find resources in the community for substance use disorder treatment 	
Level 4 Uses local resources effectively to meet the needs of a patient population and community	 Enrolls uninsured patient in pharmaceutical-sponsored assistance program to allow access to expensive antimicrobial agents Refers women living with HIV to local support group in the community 	
Level 5 Leads innovations and advocates for populations and communities with health care inequities	 Creates a transgender community advisory board to provide feedback to HIV clinic leadership on best practices for transgender-competent care 	
Assessment Models or Tools	 Assessment of case conference presentations Direct observation E-modules End-of-rotation evaluations Medical record (chart) audit Multisource feedback Multiple choice questions Reflection Simulation 	
Curriculum Mapping		

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Systems-Based Practice 5: Physician Role in Health Care Systems

Overall Intent: To understand the physician's role in the complex health care system and how to optimize the system to improve patient care

Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Identifies key components of the health care system	 Understands the impact of health plan coverage on prescription drugs for individual patients
Describes basic health payment systems	 Understands that upon hospital discharge patients can receive intravenous (IV) antibiotics at home, at a nursing facility, or at an infusion center Understands that Ryan White coverage and the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) provides safety net coverage for patients with HIV
Level 2 Describes how components of a complex health care system are interrelated, and how this impacts patient care	• Understands that patients with Medicare as their primary insurance are most likely to have the cost of outpatient IV antibiotics covered at an infusion center or skilled nursing facility rather than at home
Delivers care with consideration of each patient's payment model	 Understands various payment models, including pay-for-performance, pay-for-service, and bundled payments. Prescribes levofloxacin instead of moxifloxacin for community-acquired pneumonia because of formulary restrictions
Level 3 Discusses how individual practice affects the broader system	 Discusses the impact of broad-spectrum antibiotic overuse on community-level resistance patterns
Engages with patients in shared decision making, informed by each patient's payment models	• Tailors antibiotic regimen in consideration of patient preferences and insurance coverage
Level 4 Manages various components of the complex health care system to provide efficient and effective patient care	 Works collaboratively to improve patient assistance resources for a patient with homelessness, substance use disorder, and limited finances
Advocates for patient care needs with consideration of the limitations of each patient's payment model	 Prescribes a patient insured primarily by Medicare a once-daily IV antibiotic so that they can receive care by driving from home to an infusion center, rather than undergoing a prolonged skilled nursing facility stay
Level 5 Advocates for or leads systems change that enhances high-value, efficient, and effective patient care	 Works with community or professional organizations to advocate for point-of-care HIV testing in the community Improves informed consent process for non-English-speaking patients

Actively engaged in influencing health policy	• Discusses development of diagnostic test protocols with the microbiology lab aimed at
through advocacy activities at the local, regional,	reducing unnecessary diagnostic test ordering
or national level	Organizes and leads the hospital team in a community AIDS walk
Assessment Models or Tools	Assessment of case conference presentations
	Direct observation
	• E-modules
	End-of-rotation evaluations
	Medical record (chart) audit
	Multisource feedback
	Multiple choice questions
	Reflection
	Simulation
Curriculum Mapping	
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Practice-Based Learning and Improvement 1: Evidence-Based and Informed Practice Overall Intent: To incorporate evidence and patient values into clinical practice

Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Demonstrates how to access and use	 Identifies evidence-based IDSA guidelines for asymptomatic bacteriuria
available evidence for patient care and elicits	 Conducts a PubMed search to identify best practices on retaining patients with HIV in
patient preferences and values to guide care	
Level 0 Levels and envire the bast surface	• Queries patient's understanding of their infection and their preferences in management
Level 2 Locates and applies the best available	• In a patient with endocarditis, identifies and discusses potential evidence-based treatment
preferences to the care of patients with	Discusses risks and benefits of latent tuberculosis infection treatment in natient with a
common conditions	positive interferon gamma release assav
	• Uses a contemplation ladder to assess patient's readiness to adhere to antiretrovirals
Level 3 Locates and applies the best available	Obtains, discusses, and applies evidence for the treatment of endocarditis in a patient
evidence, integrated with patient values and	who injects drugs
preference, to the care of patients with complex	• In a treatment-experienced patient with HIV and a history of poor adherence, discusses
conditions	the optimal management strategy with consideration for the patient's preferences
Level 4 Critically appraises conflicting or	Discusses the literature on the utility of anal pap smears in patients living with HIV at a
ambiguous evidence to guide individualized	division contenence
	antibiotics for recurrent urinary tract infections (UTIs)
Level 5 Mentors others to critically appraise and	• Leads clinical teaching on application of best practices in critical appraisal of sepsis
apply evidence	criteria
	• As part of a team, develops a protocol for antimicrobial prophylaxis following stem cell
	transplantation
Assessment Models or Tools	Assessment of case conference presentations
	Direct observation
	• E-modules
	End-of-rotation evaluations Medical record (abort) audit
	Multisource feedback
	Multiple choice questions
	Reflection
	Research portfolio
	Simulation
Curriculum Mapping	

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	Institutional IRB guidelines Variaus isurnal submission guidelines
	• various journal submission guidelines

Practice-Based Learning and Improvement 2: Reflective Practice and Commitment to Personal Growth		
Overall Intent: To seek clinical performance information with the intent to improve practice; develop clear objectives and goals for		
improvement through a learning plan		
Milestones	Examples	
Level 1 Identifies personal and professional	 Identifies gaps in knowledge of HIV medication side effects 	
development goals and recognizes gaps	 Reviews a teaching session on HIV medication side effects 	
between expectations and actual performance		
Actively seeks opportunities to improve	 Discusses challenging clinical cases with colleagues 	
Level 2 Demonstrates openness to performance	Respectfully receives feedback on interactions with house staff	
data (feedback and other input), and analyzes		
and reflects on gaps to inform goals		
Designs and implements a learning plan, with	 Develops a plan based on feedback to improve interactions with house staff 	
prompting		
Level 3 Seeks performance data episodically,	• In response to feedback, performs a chart audit to determine percentage of their own	
with adaptability and humility, and institutes	patient panel living with HTV that receive appropriate vaccinations	
expectations and actual performance		
expectations and actual performance		
Independently creates and implements a	• Creates a personal curriculum using web-based resources to improve knowledge on	
learning plan	tropical parasites	
Level 4 Intentionally seeks performance data	Completes a quarterly chart audit to ensure documentation of renal function testing for	
consistently with adaptability and humility,	patients on tenofovir disoproxil	
considering alternatives in narrowing the gaps	• Tracks clinical cases of tuberculosis (TB) seen, recognizes gaps in experiences treating	
between expectations and actual performance	drug-resistant TB, and develops a learning plan for drug-resistant TB	
Uses performance data to measure the	• Adjusts learning plan after resolving in training examination secres to mitigate knowledge	
effectiveness of the learning plan and improves	ans in tropical diseases	
it when necessary	yaps in tiopical diseases	
Level 5 Role models commitment to self-	Develops morbidity and mortality conference for infectious diseases division to identify	
improvement and coaches others on reflective	and remediate organizational weaknesses	
practice		
Facilitates the design and implementation of	 Assists first-year fellows in developing their individualized learning plans 	
learning plans for others		
Assessment Models or Tools	Direct observation	

	Reflection
	Semi-annual review
Curriculum Mapping	
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Professionalism 1: Professional Behavior Overall Intent: To recognize and address lapses in professional behavior and demonstrate professional behaviors		
Milestones	Examples	
Level 1 Demonstrates professional behavior in routine situations	 Respectfully accepts consultative request by all primary teams, regardless of the reason for consult 	
Level 2 Identifies and describes potential personal triggers for professionalism lapses and takes responsibility for one's own professionalism lapses	 Recognizes that when rounds take longer than is typical they are less conducive to teaching Apologizes to consulting team for displaying irritation when paged with non-urgent question at 2 a.m. 	
Level 3 Demonstrates a pattern of professional behavior in complex or stressful situations; describes when and where to report professionalism lapses	 De-escalates an angry patient by listening to the patient's perspective Decides to speak face-to-face about a conflict instead of emailing Reports to supervisor about an impaired colleague who is missing work Reports to the hospital secure line about an unprofessional incident concerning a nurse 	
Level 4 Recognizes situations that may trigger professionalism lapses and intervenes to prevent lapses in oneself and others	 Develops contingency plan for returning to care with a patient who wishes to be discharged against medical advice Recognizes a colleague is becoming frustrated with a learner and discusses it with that colleague 	
Level 5 Coaches others when their behavior fails to meet professional expectations	 Coaches resident on consultation service on the appropriate use of pronouns after the resident misgenders a transgender patient Coaches a medical student on considering patient perspectives after the medical student criticizes a patient for injecting drugs 	
Assessment Models or Tools	 Assessment of case conference presentations Direct observation E-modules End-of-rotation evaluations Medical record (chart) audit Multisource feedback Reflection Simulation 	
Curriculum Mapping	•	
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Professionalism 2: Ethical Principles Overall Intent: To recognize and address ethical dilemmas and appropriately use resources to do so		
Milestones	Examples	
Level 1 Demonstrates knowledge of ethical principles	 Articulates how the principle of autonomy applies to patients who do not want their images used for teaching or publication 	
Level 2 Applies ethical principles to address straightforward situations	 Applies principle of autonomy by obtaining informed consent from a patient before photographing a rare rash 	
Level 3 Analyzes complex situations using ethical principles and identifies the need to seek help in addressing complex situations	 Offers alternative treatment options for a patient who declines inpatient IV antibiotics, despite that being standard of care 	
Level 4 Uses appropriate resources for managing and resolving ethical dilemmas as needed	 Requests ethics consultation for an incapacitated patient whose family makes a decision that contradicts the patient's previously expressed wishes Allocates limited supply of remdesivir to appropriate patients with COVID-19 Coordinates with the local public health department to ensure the contacts of a patient recently diagnosed with primary syphilis have been traced, worked up and treated 	
Level 5 Identifies and seeks to address system- level factors that induce or exacerbate ethical problems or impede their resolution	 Creates an endocarditis treatment team that meets regularly to discuss issues that influence decisions on valve replacement surgery for patients with endocarditis and a history of IV drug use Sets up anonymous hotline to notify partners of persons diagnosed with sexually transmitted infections to protect both patient privacy and public health 	
Assessment Models or Tools	 Assessment of case conference presentations Direct observation E-modules End-of-rotation evaluations Medical record (chart) audit Multisource feedback Reflection Simulation 	
Curriculum Mapping	•	
Notes or Resources	 American Medical Association. Code of Ethics. <u>https://www.ama-assn.org/delivering-</u> care/ama-code-medical-ethics. 2020. 	

Professionalism 3: Accountability/Conscientiousness	5
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Overall Intent: To take responsibility for one's own actions and the impact on patients and other members of the health care team

Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Performs tasks and responsibilities with	 Responds to reminders from program administrator to complete work hour logs or end of
prompting	rotation evaluations
	 Attends conferences consistently and on time with prompting/reminders
Level 2 Recognizes factors that may impact	Notifies attending of multiple competing demands on-call, appropriately triages tasks, and
one's own ability to complete tasks and	asks for assistance from other fellows or faculty members as needed
responsibilities in a timely manner and describes	······, ······························
strategies for improvement	
Level 3 Performs tasks and responsibilities in a	 In preparation for being out of the office, arranges coverage for assigned clinical tasks on
timely manner with appropriate attention to	infectious disease patients and ensures appropriate continuity of care
detail in routine situations	 Is well prepared for scheduled presentations at conferences
Level 4 Performs tasks and responsibilities in a	 Able to collegially and efficiently complete tasks when asked to cover a sick colleague
timely manner with appropriate attention to	
detail in complex or stressful situations	
Level 5 Creates strategies to enhance others	• Sets up a meeting with the clinic manager to streamline post discharge follow-up in fellow
ability to complete administrative tasks and	clinic
patient care efficiently	
Assessment Models or Tools	 Compliance with deadlines and timelines
	Direct observation
	 End-of-rotation evaluations
	Multisource feedback
	Reflection
Curriculum Mapping	•
Notes or Resources	 Code of conduct from fellow/resident institutional manual
	 Expectations of residency program regarding accountability and professionalism

Professionalism 4: Well-Being Overall Intent: To recognize the importance of well-being and to identify and use resources for augmenting well-being	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Recognizes the importance of addressing personal and professional well-being	Engages in required institutional well-being educational activities
Level 2 Lists available resources for personal and professional well-being Describes institutional resources that are meant	 Appropriately describes the fellowship's policy for staying home when ill Aware of counseling resources available to learners Engages in fellowship feedback sessions to improve well-being across the program
Level 3 With assistance, proposes a plan to promote personal and professional well-being Recognizes which institutional factors affect well-being	 Proposes conference presentation dates to avoid conflicts with vacation plans using schedule request Requests leave of absence due to uncontrolled depression
Level 4 Independently develops a plan to promote personal and professional well-being Describes institutional factors that positively and/or negatively affect well-being	 Develops action plans for job search prioritizing professional and personal goals Prepares a robust board study schedule to minimize undue stress and anxiety Arranges practice sessions with the simulation lab to improve confidence with lumbar punctures
Level 5 Creates institutional level interventions that promote colleagues' well-being Describes institutional programs designed to examine systemic contributors to burnout	 Works as part of a system committee to address inefficiencies in the EHR Advocates with hospital leadership to provide healthier snack options throughout hospital vending machines Launches fellowship-wide retreat focused on well-being issues and activities
Assessment Models or Tools	 Fellowship feedback sessions Group interview or discussions for team activities Individual interview Institutional online training modules Reflective writing Self-assessment and personal learning plan Semi-annual evaluation
Curriculum Mapping	
Notes or Resources	• This subcompetency is not intended to evaluate a fellow's well-being. Rather, the intent is to ensure that each fellow has the fundamental knowledge of factors that affect well-

being, the mechanisms by which those factors affect well-being, and available resources
and tools to improve well-being.
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Interpersonal and Communication Skills 1: Patient- and Family-Centered Communication	
Overall Intent: To deliberately use language and behaviors to form constructive relationships with patients; to identify communication	
barriers; to use self-reflection to identify persona	I biases and minimize them in the doctor-patient relationships; to organize and lead
communication around shared decision making	
Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Uses clear language and non-verbal	 Introduces self and faculty member, identifies patient and others in the room, and
behavior to demonstrate respect and establish	engages all parties in health care discussion
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Identifies common barriers to effective communication	 Identifies need for trained interpreter with non-English-speaking patients
Level 2 Establishes and maintains a therapeutic	Uses patient-centered language when discussing vaccinations with hesitant patients
relationship with the patient using active	• Prioritizes and sets agenda at the beginning of the appointment for a new patient with HIV
listening and clear language in straightforward	
encounters	
Identifies complex barriers to effective	 Recognizes the need for handouts with diagrams and pictures to communicate
communication	information to a patient with low literacy
Level 3 Establishes and maintains a therapeutic	Acknowledges patient's request for empiric Lyme disease treatment in context of chronic fetigue, and error timely follow up to align disease treatment in context of chronic
helationship using enective communication	aligue, and arranges limely follow-up to align diagnostic plan with goals of care
benaviors in chanenging patient encounters	• If a discussion with the faculty member, acknowledges transference in carring for a patient with sacral osteomyelitis who does not engage in off-loading
	with sacral oscontyclitis who does not engage in on-loading
Adiusts communication strategies based on	• Participates in a family meeting to determine a plan of care for a terminally ill patient who
identified barriers, incorporating patient and	speaks American Sign Language (ASL), and arranges for an ASL interpreter to be
caregiver expectations and goals of care	present
Level 4 Establishes and maintains therapeutic	 Continues to engage with and adjust treatment goals of patient with HIV who is not on
relationships using shared decision making,	antiretroviral therapy and regularly engages in condomless sex
regardless of complexity	
Dreastively improves communication by	. Definite an assessed bios values day iniciation down uses and assument and association and
addressing barriers, including patient and	Reflects on personal bias related to injection drug use and recurrent endocarditis and solicits input from faculty about mitigation of communication barriers when counseling
nersonal biases	around cessation of substance use
Level 5 Serves as a role model in establishing	• Leads a group discussion on personal experience of moral distress in caring for a racist
respectful, culturally sensitive therapeutic	patient
relationships while mitigating communication	Develops a residency curriculum on unconscious bias
barriers and engaging in critical self-reflection	 Serves on a hospital bioethics committee

Assessment Models or Tools	Direct observation
	End-of-rotation evaluations
	Multisource feedback
	Reflection
	Simulation
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Interpersonal and Communication Skills 2: Interprofessional and Team Communication

Overall Intent: To effectively communicate with the health care team, including other consultants, in both straightforward and complex situations

Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Communicates information effectively in	• Receives consult request for a patient with cellulitis, asks clarifying questions politely, and
a manner that demonstrates respect for all	expresses gratitude for the consult
members of the interprofessional team	 Acknowledges the contribution of each member of the infectious disease consult team to the patient
Level 2 Solicits feedback on performance as a	 Asks medical student for feedback on teaching
member of the health care team and adjusts	 Sends a message in EHR to the infectious disease pharmacist to clarify drug dosing
communication approach to team needs,	recommendations and therapeutic monitoring
promoting open and safe communication	
Level 3 Facilitates interprofessional team	 Initiates electronic communication among consulting teams to discuss safety of brain
communication to reconcile conflict and provides	biopsy for intracranial lesion
constructive feedback to team members	 Reviews rotating resident's infectious disease consult note and provides feedback on the
	assessment and plan
Level 4 Leads and facilitates regular	 Arranges for meeting among consulting teams to discuss possibility of removal of infected
interdisciplinary discussions, including in	prosthesis, including risks and benefits
complex and challenging situations	• Discusses with infectious disease pharmacist regarding use of restricted antibiotic for a
	septic patient with a history of a multidrug resistant organism, pending antimicrobial
	susceptibility data
Level 5 Models and coaches flexible	Coaches resident member of the infectious disease consult team on discussing
communication strategies that facilitate	recommendations with the team requesting consult
excellence in interprofessional teamwork	
Assessment Models or Tools	Direct observation
	End-of-rotation evaluations
	Multisource feedback
	Reflection
	Simulation
Curriculum Mapping	•
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Interpersonal and Communication Skills 3: Communication within Health Care Systems Overall Intent: To effectively communicate using a variety of methods

Milestones	Examples
Level 1 Accurately documents comprehensive and current information	 Documentation of a patient transferred from an outside facility with <i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>aureus</i> bacteremia includes relevant blood culture data from the transferring institution Shreds patient list after rounds; avoids talking about patients in the elevator
Communicates using formats specified by institutional policy to safeguard patient personal health information	• Exercises care in discussing HIV status of a patient when family present in room
Level 2 Documents encounter, including clinical reasoning in an organized manner	 Outlines clinical reasoning behind obtaining brain imaging in an immunocompromised patient with <i>Nocardia</i> pulmonary infection Develops documentation templates for the inpatient consult rotations
Selects direct and indirect forms of communication based on context, with guidance	 Pages surgical resident to discuss findings in operating room per infectious disease attending's recommendation
Level 3 Documents encounter through prioritized and concise yet thorough notes	 Consultation note on a patient with meningitis of unclear etiology includes prioritized list of diagnostic tests to obtain on cerebrospinal fluid Describes patification of positive blood suffuse on a clinic patient and immediately calls the
	 Receives notification of positive blood culture on a clinic patient and immediately calls the patient
Independently selects direct and indirect forms of communication based on context	• Calls health department to obtain historical data about syphilis treatment in patient with a positive <i>Treponema pallidum</i> antibody test and negative rapid plasma regain
Level 4 Concisely documents clinical reasoning, including anticipatory guidance, while satisfying institutional billing needs and compliance	 Provides anticipatory guidance on needing to change therapy to amphotericin from fluconazole if lumbar puncture is positive in an immunocompetent patient with cryptococcal pneumonia
Models effective written and verbal communication	 Talks directly to an emergency room physician about breakdowns in communication regarding delay to initiation of antibiotics in patient with sepsis
Level 5 Coaches others in accurately documenting diagnostic and therapeutic reasoning	 Coaches rotating resident on documentation of timing of follow-up imaging for a patient with an undrained intraabdominal abscess who is being discharged
Guides departmental or institutional communication policies and procedures	 Leads a task force established by the hospital QI committee to develop a plan to improve transition of patients requiring IV antibiotics from the inpatient to outpatient setting
Assessment Models or Tools	 Direct observation End-of-rotation evaluations Multisource feedback

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Available Milestones Resources

Clinical Competency Committee Guidebook, updated 2020 -

https://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/ACGMEClinicalCompetencyCommitteeGuidebook.pdf?ver=2020-04-16-121941-380

Clinical Competency Committee Guidebook Executive Summaries, New 2020 - <u>https://www.acgme.org/What-We-</u> <u>Do/Accreditation/Milestones/Resources</u> - Guidebooks - Clinical Competency Committee Guidebook Executive Summaries

Milestones Guidebook, updated 2020 - https://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/MilestonesGuidebook.pdf?ver=2020-06-11-100958-330

Milestones Guidebook for Residents and Fellows, updated 2020 - <u>https://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/PDFs/Milestones/MilestonesGuidebookforResidentsFellows.pdf?ver=2020-05-08-150234-750</u>

Milestones for Residents and Fellows PowerPoint, new 2020 -<u>https://www.acgme.org/Residents-and-Fellows/The-ACGME-for-Residents-and-Fellows</u>

Milestones for Residents and Fellows Flyer, new 2020 https://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/PDFs/Milestones/ResidentFlyer.pdf

Implementation Guidebook, new 2020 - https://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/Milestones%20Implementation%202020.pdf?ver=2020-05-20-152402-013

Assessment Guidebook, new 2020 https://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/PDFs/Milestones/Guidebooks/AssessmentGuidebook.pdf?ver=2020-11-18-155141-527

Milestones National Report, updated each Fall - <u>https://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/PDFs/Milestones/2019MilestonesNationalReportFinal.pdf?ver=2019-09-30-110837-587</u> (2019)

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Developing Faculty Competencies in Assessment courses - <u>https://www.acgme.org/Meetings-and-Educational-Activities/Other-Educational-Activities/Courses-and-Workshops/Developing-Faculty-Competencies-in-Assessment</u>

Assessment Tool: Direct Observation of Clinical Care (DOCC) - https://dl.acgme.org/pages/assessment

Assessment Tool: Teamwork Effectiveness Assessment Module (TEAM) - https://dl.acgme.org/pages/assessment

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