

B. POSTGRADUATE TEACHING REPORT - DECEMBER 2018

Residents' Number

There were 13 incoming R1's in the 2018-19 academic year.

CaRMS 2019

We have been doing very well in CaRMs in the last 7 years, so we hope that this trend continues. In the last 7 years, we have filled all our spots in the first iteration with very highly ranked candidates. CaRMs interview dates are in the last 2 weeks of January 2019. Staff are requested to help out with interviews soon.

Our chief medical residents for the 2018-2019 academic year are Camille Simard and Natasha Nathoo. Many thanks to the outgoing chiefs Ismail Raslan and Xing Liu for their hard work and dedication to improving all aspects of the program.

Accreditation

There will be an External review by the Royal College and College des Medecins in March, 2019. The program is currently preparing for this.

Program Changes

CTU

The CTUs are now 28 patients as of July, 2018. There is an 8 bed non-teaching Heme unit on K7, as of July, 2018, which is working very well. There are also 2 nurse practitioners rounding on the Heme unit.

The staff and residents rounding on the CTUs have appreciated the decrease in the size of the CTUs, and all comments have been very positive.

We have acquired a new U/S machine on the CTUs and there will be a training session for the staff and residents in the near future. Many thanks to Dr. Schiffrin for the acquisition of this machine.

As decided by the McGill IM program, there will be no cross over day this year. Residents, however, are required to give a detailed verbal sign-out by phone.

Every year, there will be more and more residents rotating through all 3 sites. So, we will see more and more R1s, R2s, and R3s, from the other sites on K6 and K7 and ER.

As usual, 2 admissions must be assigned by latest 10 am to juniors and students, so that the seniors can review 2 admissions before sign-out.

There must be a 20-30 minute teaching session every single day, on CTU. Staff must do a minimum of 2 teaching sessions in 2 weeks.

As usual, residents must call the attending ward staff in the middle of the night if patients are being transferred to the ICU, CCU, code or die unexpectedly. This is in keeping with policies at the MGH and RVH.

Morning report will continue for the first 3 Fridays of the period, from 7:45 am to 8:30 am, and radiology rounds will continue every second Tuesday from 8 am to 9 am.

Also, all discharge summaries must be done before the patient leaves the hospital.

CCU

There is now a 20 bed non-teaching unit in CCU. This serves to reduce the size of the teaching CCU.

Academic Half-Day

As of July, 2018, there are now 2 streams for Academic Half-Day: Thursday afternoons for R1s and R2s, and Wednesday mornings for R3s. The residents like this format so far.

Royal College Exams

The Royal College has now mandated that, as of 2019, all internal medicine residents will write their exams in their R3 year. This will have large impacts on their schedules and the schedules of the R2s. We will likely have 2 R2s on CTU, CCU, ICU, ERC.

Competency Based Medical Education (CBME)

This will start in July, 2019, for all internal medicine residents.

Resident Research

Dr. Oriana Yu is our new JGH site Research Director. We thank Dr. Greenaway for all her hard work with the residents in the past few years.

All residents must hand in an abstract and poster by June 30th of their third and final year of core internal medicine residency.

IMGs

As of July 1st, 2019, the incoming R1s that have done their medical school in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, or Emirates, will do a preparatory 3 months prior to July 1st, so that they may adjust to the new system. During these 3 months, they will carry a reduced number of patients similar to medical students.

Holiday Party

The Holiday Party was held on December 10, 2018 at the Yuukai Restaurant.