THINGS I WISH I KNEW DURING MY MEDICINE CLERKSHIP

ADVICE FROM THE CLASS OF 2021

General advice for the Medicine clerkship:

Ask chiefs to practice presentations.

Read up on patient presentations and management regularly. Questions are not enough!

There is a lot to cover during this clerkship, so be sure to study every day. You must make being part of your team a priority, but during down time chip away at readings and reviews.

Whenever possible, attend the resident teaching sessions (noon conference, morning report, intern report) - they help to reinforce the content you’re studying and learning from your patients.

Choose a few resources that work best for you and stick with them. The Pocket book is helpful for patient presentations (real and ACE rounds) and for write ups. Uworld questions and Step Up To Medicine are great for shelf prep.

Quotes from the class:

“Using UpToDate and pocket book to research my patients before oral presentations was extremely helpful”

“For wards, OME is fantastic to get a handle on topics for ACE Rounds and other presentations.”

“The shelf covers everything, so make a study schedule for the 1800+ UWorld questions at the beginning of the clerkship to avoid cramming during RIA”

“NEJM has fantastic review articles of a number of bread and butter diagnoses”

Regarding the Med NBME practice exams (for shelf), how many did you complete?

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Preparing for your Medicine clerkship:
Here are a few clerkship specific resources recommended by upper-term students to supplement your preparation.

**ACE Rounds**
- UpToDate: 93%
- Online MedEd: 47%
- Step Up to Medicine: 26%
- Harrison's: 16%
- Other: 30%

**NBME Subject Exams**
- Uworld: 100%
- Pre-made ANKI cards: 45%
- Online MedEd: 42%
- Amboss: 23%
- Step Up To Medicine: 17%
- Other: 15%

**Clinical Skills Exams**
- First Aid for CK: 89%
- Other: 20%

**Oral Presentations**
- UpToDate: 92%
- Massachusetts General...: 18%
- Other: 25%

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