

Obstetrics & Gynecology: Core EPA #18

Managing patients with surgical complications

Key Features:

- This EPA includes recognizing, investigating, and managing patients with intraoperative and postoperative complications.
- This EPA may be observed in simulation.

Assessment Plan:

Direct observation by OBGYN faculty, subspecialty trainee, or supervising surgeons in other disciplines

Use Form 1. Form collects information on:

- Complication: bowel obstruction; bowel injury; infection; perioperative bleeding; genitourinary complication; thromboembolic disease; wound complication; nerve injury; uterine perforation; vascular injury; other
- If 'other' indicate complication: [free text]

Collect 5 observations of achievement

- At least 3 different complications
- At least 3 faculty observers
- At least 3 different observers

Relevant Milestones:

- 1 ME 1.4** Apply a broad base and depth of knowledge in clinical and biomedical sciences to manage surgical complications
- 2 ME 1.5** Perform clinical assessments that address all relevant issues
- 3 ME 1.7** Adapt care as the complexity, uncertainty, and ambiguity of the patient's clinical situation evolves
- 4 ME 1.7** Seek assistance in situations that are complex, novel, or involve uncertainty
- 5 ME 2.4** Develop and implement patient-centred management plans that consider all of the patient's health problems and context
- 6 ME 5.1** Recognize and respond to harm from health care delivery, including patient safety incidents
- 7 ME 5.2** Use cognitive aids such as procedural checklists, structured communication tools, or care paths, to enhance patient safety
- 8 COM 3.1** Convey information related to the patient's health status, care, and needs in a timely, honest, and transparent manner
- 9 COM 3.2** Communicate the reasons for unanticipated clinical outcomes to patients and disclose patient safety incidents
- 10 COM 5.1** Adapt record keeping to the clinical context

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- 11** **COL 1.2 Consult as needed with other health care professionals, including other physicians**
- 12** **COL 3.2** Organize the handover of care to the most appropriate physician or health care professional
- 13** **L 1.2** Model a just culture to promote openness and increased reporting
- 14** **L 1.4** Use data on measures of clinical performance during team discussions and to support team decision-making
- 15** **S 1.2** Seek and interpret multiple sources of performance data and feedback, with guidance, to continually improve performance
- 16** **L 1.1** Analyze and provide feedback on processes seen in one's own practice, team, organization, or system
- 17** **P 4.1** Integrate skills that support adaptation and recovery in challenging situations