

Away Rotation Evaluation Form

1. Specialty: Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility (Obstetrics & Gynecology)

2. Medical School / Hospital: Johns Hopkins

3. How would you rate your overall experience? (check one)

Poor Fair Good Very Good Excellent

4. How many hours per week were you on duty? 50 (and I took two 24 hour weekend calls voluntarily in addition to this).

5. How many hours per week did you spend with:

a. Interns: 0

b. Residents: 25

c. Fellows: 40

d. Attendings: 40

6. Did you meet with or work with the Residency Program Director or the Department Chair? Not formally. I should have set up a meeting but it did not cross my mind until afterwards. I sent a letter praising her program and residents after I was finished.

7. Which attendings had the greatest influence on your experience? All of them were wonderful. They let you do a lot in the OR and in clinic.

8. What were your daily duties? I would round on any surgical patients at the downtown hospital in the morning. I'd show up at the outpatient office at 7 AM for ultrasound or transfers. I'd either see patients in clinic with the attendings or go back downtown for a case in the OR during the day.

9. Did this rotation (check one):

Create new interest in the specialty

Reinforce existing interest

Decrease interest

Have no effect

10. Any tips on how to get the most out of this rotation?

These attendings really gave me the freedom to slack but there were a lot of opportunities if you showed interest. You have to let them know that you're there because it's something you find fascinating and they'll get you a lot of great experience.

If you're interested in JH for residency, try to take call. In addition to my regular duties I took L&D call with an intern and a resident because otherwise you're relatively isolated from the residents.

11. Any warnings or tips on what NOT to do?

Slack off. It would be easy on this rotation but you'd rob yourself of an amazing time.

12. Did you get a letter of recommendation?

Not formally (it was too late in the year), but without requesting one two of the attendings wrote to the residency program director.

13. Did this rotation help you get an interview?

Probably. I'm not sure. They offered me an interview the day I showed up which was right around the time they were offering them to everyone.

14. Is housing provided? If not, any recommendations on where to stay?

Yes, but it costs around 400 per month. I stayed with my sister.

15. Is parking provided? If not, any recommendations on where to park?

You can buy cheaper vouchers for the hospital lot (about 5 bucks per day) but the outpatient facility in Greenspring (where you spend a lot of time) has free parking.

16. Who did you contact to set up this rotation? I applied via their online materials. Contact vismed@jhmi.edu for more information.

a. Did you use VSAS? No.

17. When did you apply for the rotation and when did they inform you that you got the rotation?

I applied in March of the year I visited and I visited in October. FYI for Hopkins you should apply about 6 months in advance.

18. Were there any special requirements for the rotation (i.e. BLS re-certification, LOR, etc.)?

They needed a letter of good standing (they call it a LOR), a completed application form, transcript, certification forms in HIPAA compliance from their training program, and immunization records.

19. Would you recommend this rotation to future JMC 4th years?

YES!

20. Please add additional comments (strengths, weaknesses, miscellaneous tips...)

I loved loved loved this rotation. Saw a lot of great stuff (vaginal agenesis, dx'd appendicitis). I want to go to JH and I feel that this exposure only helped. If I had anything to change I would have set up a formal meeting with the Residency program director. She seems very nice and I only met her informally. There are Friday afternoon resident lectures which you can go to in order to meet and hang out with residents. The people there are amazing. Not malignant at all. The residents work hard but are happy and enjoyable to be around in the hospital. The REI cases are great and the attendings are phenomenal.

You are however relatively isolated from the general ob/gyn residents so you should go out of your way to take weekend call or do something to meet with and hang out with them if you're interested in the residency program.

While on service ask to do a case presentation (they want it to be 15-20 minutes usually, 30 min maximum) on something you've seen or present an article at one of their weekly meetings.

This is traditionally a 3 week rotation (that's how it's listed and that seems to be how the registrar wants to give it to people). However, the attendings themselves would have probably

been willing to have me an extra week if I had been able to contact one of them directly (it did not seem like the three week limit was their idea or doing). I did research to fill out my extra week which was alright by the ob/gyn dept here at Jefferson, but you may want to try and get that extra week if you can.

THANK YOU!

Please return form to jeffersonAOA@gmail.com.

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