

Away Rotation Evaluation Form

1. Specialty: **Maternal Fetal Medicine**
2. Medical School / Hospital: **Harvard Med School/ Brigham and Women's Hospital**
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? **70+**
5. How many hours per week did you spend with:
 - a. Interns - **No interns on service**
 - b. Chief Resident - **Spent the entire time with a third year resident who ran the ante-partum floor**
 - c. Fellows **30. A fellow and an R3 ran the service but the fellow was only around for a few hours of the day for rounds and admissions, etc.**
 - d. Attendings – **5-10. Only interacted with attendings during rounds.**
6. Did you meet with or work with the Residency Program Director or the Department Chair? **I set up an appointment to meet with the Chair of the Ob/Gyn Department (Dr Barbieri). This was a brief meeting, kind of like a 'mini-interview', which he likes to do with every visiting student. He is very into looking for students to join the program who have goals that have something to do with becoming a leader in the field of Ob/Gyn, so if you meet with him make sure to have clear goals on how you want to make a difference and be a leader in the field.**

7. Which attendings had the greatest influence on your experience? **A new attending rotated with the service each week and they were really just there for rounds. Dr McElrath was nice but very busy. I had a great experience with Dr Reiss. She went out of her way to get to know me and invite me along on some of her other duties. She also offered to write a Letter of Rec. Dr Wilkins-Haug was also very busy but she is one of a few doctors in the country/world that does fetal surgery. I went to one of her cases and it was amazing! Definitely try to make it to a case or two of hers.**
8. What were your daily duties? **This rotation was an in-patient MFM rotation which centered on the Antepartum Service at Brigham and Women's (the service is called 'Fuller'). It is all inpatient work and generally there are about 15 on service but that fluctuates wildly.**
 - a. **Arrive at 5ish to update the board (as a sub-I, you are in charge of keeping the wipe board in the resident lounge updated at all times) and write notes. Nice thing is that the notes are typed so you can get a lot done the evening before.**
 - b. **Board sign out at 6:30. Round with team at 8.**
 - c. **Spend the rest of the day doing all that needs to be done from rounds, admitting new patients, discharging patients and following up on studies/labs, etc. If the patient goes into labor you also follow the patients on L&D.**

d. Board sign out at 6:00pm. 50/50 on whether or not you were able to go home from there. Sometimes had to stay a half hour/hour to finish things up.

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? **Come in knowing about pre-eclampsia and preterm labor. They are the big ones on the service.**

11. Any warnings or tips on what NOT to do? **The usual. Always have the board updated. Never be late. Always help out where ever needed.**

12. Did you get a letter of recommendation? **YES. Dr Reiss offered.**

13. Did this rotation help you get an interview? **YES.**

14. Is housing provided? If not, any recommendations on where to stay? **NO. Once accepted they send you a packet and housing options are included. I looked on Craigslist but didn't know Boston and didn't want to deal with public transportation so I ended up staying in the med school dorm for a month (similar to Martin). It was convenient because I could walk to the hospital in 5 minutes and I could walk to anything else I needed. Only downside was that it was expensive (\$1000/month for a dorm room!). Try to stay with friends/family if you can. I didn't know anyone in the city or else I would have because Boston is expensive.**

15. Is parking provided? If not, any recommendations on where to park? **NO. I guess you could park in the hospital garage but that would be ridiculously expensive. I would not recommend bringing a car. Walk or take public transit, which is pretty good for a city.**

16. Who did you contact to set up this rotation? **I applied for this rotation.**

Everything is pretty much self-explanatory from this site:

<http://www.hms.harvard.edu/registrar/aServices/xClerk.html>

17. Would you recommend this rotation to future JMC 4th years? **YES.**

18. Please add additional comments: **The rotation was a lot of hard work and long hours but I would highly recommend it. I came into the rotation feeling intimidated by the Harvard/Brigham name but was happy to find that everyone (residents and attendings) was extremely nice and very approachable and I have no bad experiences to share. It is a great program with amazing people. A lot of fun. As a heads up, all med students have to do a 45-50 minute presentation on a topic of their choice. That was a lot of work.**

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