

## **TEAM: Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Education Program**

*Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, Medical College of Wisconsin & Special Needs Family Center*

Dear PGY-3 Residents:

Welcome to **TEAM: The Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Section** of the Behavioral Pediatrics rotation. This Special Needs Section includes *Rehab and Fitness* experiences as well as a Family as Faculty program. The curriculum is designed to focus on the spectrum of chronic illness and disability and the universal emotional, social and economical impact that these conditions have on the child, family and community.

We hope that this experience will not only emphasize the enormous need these children and their families have for coordinated, comprehensive, family-centered, primary care but also provide you with the principles and practice to provide this *Medical Home*. Through these experiences we intend to accentuate that providing care and coordination to a child or youth with complex and challenging issues should not be within the scope of one person. It is more often effective and rewarding if a group of people work together to accomplish this.

Many of the *Project TEAM* experiences take place in the setting of home and community. Project TEAM stands for ***Together Everyone Achieves More***. This program is a collaborative effort between healthcare providers and families and underscores the need to forge alliances in order to improve care, quality of life and outcomes for children and youth with special health care needs, (CYSHCN). *Family Teachers* volunteer to invite you into their homes, to share their challenges, rewards, needs, beliefs, hopes, and perspectives so that you may have a glimpse into their *reality*. In addition you will visit and learn about various public, private and community resources that help to meet the needs of these children and families.

The *Rehab and Fitness and Special Needs Program* experiences are designed to give you an appreciation and understanding of the *functional consequences* of disabling disorders - how they affect the child, family, community, finances, growth and development, emotions, expectations, roles, responsibilities and the ability to participate in extracurricular activities. Participating in experiences such as the Seating Clinic or the Spina Bifida Clinic will help you to identify and formulate practical, collaborative and realistic plans for managing chronic disabling conditions.

### ***Rotation Requirements***

- ☞ Reflections: We have provided you with a notebook, in which you should record your thoughts and reflections each day. More information may be found in the reflective writing section of your rotation binder or on the TEAM shared drive.
- ☞ Evaluations:
  - ◆ Before participating in any experiences you will answer the comfort and competency pre-rotation questions. A copy will be made of your answers in the event that you lose the evaluation form.
  - ◆ **Please complete the overall course evaluation by the last day of this rotation.** If you lose the evaluation, please print a new one from the shared drive. Completed evaluations should be either dropped off at the Family Resource Center or submitted by interoffice mail to Anne Juhlmann, Family Resource Center, MS 939 no later than the last day of your rotation.

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- ↵ You are required to give a presentation to TEAM staff. More information can be found in the "experience" section of your rotation binder or on the TEAM shared drive.
- ↵ After your presentation we would like to hear your insights and feedback about this experience – both positive and negative - so that we can build and improve this program. We value your ideas and input!
- ↵ An emergency information form completed for one continuity clinic patient is required. Dr. Gordon will first review care coordination with you when you meet. Following that meeting you will complete one form for one patient. Dr. Gordon will review it with you after you give the final presentation. The form can be found in the Experience section of your binder.
- ↵ A Special Needs Resources Exercise will be provided to you on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the rotation. You should work on this as best as you can and have it ready to submit by the day that you meet with Anne Juhlmann for the Special Needs Resources Experience. At that time the exercise will be reviewed. Feedback and follow up information will be provided as needed or requested.

Thank you for your participation in TEAM. Hopefully this rotation will be a practical one for you – to provide some answers and more importantly some tools and resources so that you feel comfortable caring for the CSHCN outside of the hospital. Have fun and please feel free to contact any of us if you have any questions or concerns.

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