Location: Kaweah Delta Mental Health Hospital, Visalia, CA Revised 03/06/2024

Clerkship Director:

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PREREQUISITE: Kaweah Delta Clearance

DURATION: 4 weeks

DATES OFFERED:

Block#	Start Date	End Date
1	6/24/24	7/19/24
2	7/22/24	8/16/24
3	8/19/24	9/13/24
4	9/16/24	10/11/24
5	10/14/24	11/08/24
6	11/11/24	12/6/24
7	12/9/24	1/3/25
8	01/06/25	01/31/25
9	N/A	N/A
10	2/24/25	3/21/25
11	3/24/25	4/18/25
12	4/21/25	5/16/25
13	5/19/25	6/13/25

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 2-3 students

VISITING STUDENTS: Yes

DESCRIPTION:

Clinical Shifts will be Monday-Friday, with call one day a week. Students will participate in weekly Psychiatry didactics. The rotation is a full time experience in the care and treatment of psychiatric patients. Under the close supervision of psychiatric faculty and residents, students are given responsibilities for the evaluation and care of their patients. All students on the psychiatric rotation are observed conducting diagnostic interviews by attending faculty. All students will have the opportunity to participate in the Kaweah Delta Street Medicine program.

EVALUATION:

All end of rotation evaluations will be sent to Medical Student Coordinator. The coordinator will distribute for completion and will send completed form to school.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The psychiatry residency interview season runs from early October through the beginning of February.

*Selective Attendance and Illness Policy

In order to insure adequate clinical exposure, no more than 3 days of excused absences, including interview days can be accepted during your rotation. While excused, these days must be made up. This policy does not imply that absences are guaranteed; absences may be excused at the discretion of the faculty. Absence due to illness must be reported to the Coordinator as well as the faculty or his/her designee as soon as possible. In case of extended absence (2 days or more), a note from a physician (who is not a relative) is required and the absence will be reported to the Office of Student Affairs. A physician note may be requested for any absence, at the discretion of the faculty. Any planned absence must be registered with the coordinator prior to the first day of the rotation.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- The objective of the psychiatric rotation is to prepare the student to recognize, evaluate, and treat a wide range of psychiatric disorders as they may present throughout the life cycle. In addition, the medical student will also be able to recognize forensic aspects such as mental competency, dangerousness, and civil commitment.
- The goals include: Upon completion of the rotation, the student should be able to obtain a psychiatric history, conduct a comprehensive mental status examination, present cases appropriately, and establish a positive professional doctor-patient relationship. This knowledge should be the basis of the student's ability to make a comprehensive diagnosis of common psychiatric conditions.
- The student should also acquire knowledge of the various therapeutic modalities including basic pharmacological, psychotherapeutic, and social interventions, as well as their indications and limitations.

SUPERVISION:

Attending Physicians and Resident Physicians

Further attendance requirements may be covered during the first day orientation.