

Selective Rotations

MFM Selective (Driscoll)

This two-week rotation provides an opportunity for residents to expand their knowledge base and skills in the areas of outpatient maternal fetal medicine, prenatal diagnosis, and perinatal genetics. It provides an opportunity for associated in-depth independent study of an MFM-related topic.

Breast Selective

This rotation allows the senior resident to expand their knowledge base and skill sets in the area of breast health in order to improve their patient counseling/education and referral skills. The rotation may be focused on breast feeding, breast imaging, clinical evaluation and management of breast pathology, early onset breast cancer, or a combination of these areas based on individual resident learning goals and rotation duration.

Critical Care Medicine Selective

The selective rotation consists of 2 weeks to 1 month spent in the ICU on the critical care service. During this rotation, the resident will gain knowledge and experience in the fundamentals of critical care medicine as they may apply to obstetric and gynecologic patients.

Education Selective

This two-week to one-month rotation will provide the senior resident with an opportunity to actively engage in medical education through the creation of enduring program education materials, engagement in a medical education leadership role within UTRGV, the hospital, or the RGV community, or meaningful work with a professional organization's education activities. Examples of rotation activities include: pre-clinical medical student PBL facilitation (under faculty guidance), ob/gyn clerkship didactic or simulation leadership, AHEC Scholars Program educational session planning/provision, and community health worker education. Rotation objectives and deliverables will be tailored to the resident's individual learning plan.

Endocrine Selective

This selective rotation includes a combination of exposure to general endocrinology, obesity medicine, and gender-affirming care management. Residents will spend 2-3 half-days per week in Obesity Clinic, 2 half-days per week in General Endocrinology Clinic, and 3 half-days per month in Gender Clinic. Additional educational sessions and assignments will further training in the management of key endocrine disorders encountered by the generalist Ob/Gyn.

Family Planning (San Antonio)

This rotation aims to provide the resident with a robust didactic and practical experience in evidence-based abortion care, including the opportunity to achieve competency in first trimester medical and surgical abortion and uncomplicated early second trimester surgical abortion, as well as evaluation and management of common complications of medical and surgical abortion. It also aims to provide a robust experience in transabdominal and transvaginal obstetric ultrasound.

Imaging Selective

This two-week to one-month rotation will provide the senior resident with an opportunity to expand their knowledge and skills in obstetric and gynecologic imaging. When taken as a selective, specific rotation objectives will be based on a resident's individual learning goals. For PGY-4 residents who have not yet completed program ultrasound requirements (ultrasound simulation curriculum and ACGME minimum procedure numbers in ultrasound), the rotation will be one-month in duration, ultrasound based, and include learning in foundational reproductive genetics. Interested residents may pursue additional training and experience in interpretation of x-ray, CT, or MRI studies, or in breast imaging. Highly motivated residents may choose to participate in the CLEAR (Cervical Length Education and Review) Program or pursue a competency certificate or NTQR (Nuchal Translucency Quality Review) credentialing in nuchal translucency assessment.

Private Practice Selective

This two-week to one-month rotation will provide the resident with experience in key components of private and professional practice. Clinically, the resident will gain advanced experience in outpatient gynecology, with an emphasis on office procedures. Professionally, the resident will complete assigned readings and have targeted experiences related to patient safety, ethical practice, business and practice management, career planning, and personal physician finance.

Research/Quality Improvement Selective

This two-week to one-month selective rotation provides an opportunity for the senior resident to deepen their knowledge base in a specific area of research, quality improvement, or patient safety. It may also provide additional opportunity for the senior resident to further their work on a scholarly project. This selective will be limited to residents who have already demonstrated significant achievement in scholarly activity within the program, for example, through acceptance of scholarly work for presentation or publication at a regional or national professional society meeting or leadership accomplishments in patient advocacy.