

Weekly expectations/guidelines for PT 7189: Outpatient Orthopedics

Week 1

Orientation to the department

- Staff introductions
- Familiarize yourself with their Policies and Procedures
- Tour and location of equipment
- Review goals and expectations with your CI
- Begin learning documentation requirements and templates

Patient care

- Begin with some shadowing/observation and begin assisting CI as able
- Complete chart reviews to become familiar with patients
- Complete parts of the examination, treatment, documentation
- Assist with treatment and examinations
- Do independent research on patients to prepare
- Acclimate to the environment and needs of the clinic

Week 2

Patient care

- Increase participation and decrease observation
- Complete initial examination(s) with guidance/assistance from CI
- Complete treatment session with simple/familiar patients with guidance from CI
- Complete documentation with assistance from CI for patients you are treating
- Do independent research on patients to prepare

Week 3

Patient care

- Complete exams on simple and moderately complex patients with minimal assistance
- Assist with exam on complex patients
- Develop POC for new patients with assistance from CI
- Progress patients with assistance from CI
- Complete documentation with less assistance from CI
- Do independent research on patients to prepare
- Carry at least 25% caseload
- Complete CPI and review checklists

Week 4

Patient care

- Complete documentation with minimal to no guidance from CI
- Complete exams on simple and moderately complex patients with minimal assistance for unfamiliar dx, with ~ no assistance with familiar/common diagnoses
- Complete exam on complex patients with assistance from CI
- Progress patients with less assistance from CI
- Carryout treatment on moderately complex patients with min/mod assist from CI
- Carryout treatment on simple patients with ~no assistance from CI
- Complete billing for patients with min guidance from CI
- Do independent research on patients to prepare

Week 5

Patient care

- ~Independent with documentation, unless very complex patient
- Independent with simple patient exam and treatments
- Complete simple examinations in 1 hour.
- Manage schedule to see 3 consecutive patients in a row
- Assist with d/c evaluation and planning
- Complete d/c documentation with assistance from CI
- Begin delegating tasks as appropriate to PTA, techs (CI if none available)
- Do independent research on patients to prepare

Week 6-7

Patient care

- Carry at least a 50% caseload
- Only need minimal A/guidance with complex patients, others are nearly Independent
- Continue working on delegation
- Do independent research on patients to prepare
- Complete billing ~independently
- Complete CPI, checklists and Student Evaluation of Clinical Experience
- Provide certificate to CI for Ohio CEUs