

# Curriculum & Didactics

**Morning Report** - Daily sign out of overnight admissions, consultations, and operations seen and performed by the night call team. Moderated by the chief residents, the focus of morning report is on resident education and development of critical thinking and decision-making skills.

**Morbidity and Mortality** - Bimonthly review of adverse outcomes of inpatient surgical cases with program leadership and core faculty members. Emphasis is provided on following current evidence-based practice guidelines and systematic analysis of adverse outcomes to prevent and reduce future errors.

**Case Conference/Pre-Operative Conference** - Bimonthly patient case presentations given by the senior and chief residents to core faculty members with the goal of reviewing compliance with evidence-based guidelines and accepted best surgical practices.

**Journal Club** - Monthly review of current and landmark surgical literature focused on teaching residents how to interpret and critique journal articles.

**Board Review** - A subscription to the SCORE curriculum and practice questions are provided to all residents. Weekly review is led by an attending faculty or a senior resident in preparation for the annual ABSITE in-service examination held in January. As chief residents, board review is conducted by faculty attending members that are specialists in their field as preparation for the General Surgery Qualifying and Certifying examinations.

**Attending Rounds** - Bedside teaching rounds are held on all inpatient services seven days per week. The emphasis is on developing fundamental clinical skills, diagnostic reasoning, pathophysiology, and professionalism. Emphasis is on evidence-based medicine and creating an environment that optimizes learning and patient care.

**Residency Skills Lab** - Residents receive training and develop proficiency in technical skills in a structured environment as an adjunct to performing in the operating room or the endoscopy suite. Residents are expected to gain their Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery (FLS) and Fundamentals of Endoscopic Surgery (FES) by their chief year.

**Residency Simulation Lab** - Residents participate in multi-disciplinary simulation labs that review challenging cases/scenarios that have been encountered in the past.

**Trauma Grand Rounds** - Monthly formal trauma didactics led by the Chief of Trauma Surgery.

**Robotic Surgery Certification** - Residents take part in a structured robotic surgery education with the goal of receiving certification in the Da Vinci system at time of graduation from the surgical residency.