

# Clinical Expectations for MMC 5A and St. John's Adult Inpatient Units

**Time:** Monday – Saturday

**Patients:** It is expected that a student normally will follow up to three patients. This includes seeing the patient before rounds in the morning and writing a progress note. The number of patients may increase to a maximum of five, if the student participates in the evaluation of patients that are admitted during an on-call night.

**Rounds:** 7:30 Monday – Friday (Saturday time is set by the attending that is covering) and will continue for most of the morning. Do not schedule other activities (e.g., mentoring) prior to 12:00 noon unless instructed by the attending.

**Afternoon Responsibilities:** If you are following less than three patients, please contact the senior resident if any new patients were admitted in the afternoon before 4:30 pm and see that patient before leaving for that day.

**Observation by Attending Psychiatrist:** It is expected that a 20-minute interview on a previously unfamiliar patient will be observed by the Attending. Feedback should be done immediately after the interview. If you have not done a 20-minute interview with feedback from the attending by the end of the first week of an inpatient rotation, please schedule one with the attending. At least two observed interviews should occur during the three week assignment.

**Presentation:** During the rotation, give a ten-minute presentation on a clinical topic of interest pertinent to one of the inpatients.

**Skill Acquisition:** By the end of the rotation, the student will be able to:

- Understand and present why a patient needed admission at the time
- React empathically to the patient's story
- Assess for suicidal and homicidal ideation
- Assess for substance abuse
- Assess for psychotic symptoms
- Assess for mood symptoms
- Assess for anxiety symptoms
- Describe steps taken to reduce one's risk of danger during an interview
- Conduct an interview in a logical sequence that follows the patient's cues