Dear Resident,

**Welcome** to your rotation in Infectious Disease Medicine at McMaster Children’s Hospital. We hope your rotation with us will be a good experience. To help you along the way, enclosed you will find:

- Website for rotation-specific objectives and final evaluations and resident resources: [http://www.macpeds.com/resources_for_residents.html](http://www.macpeds.com/resources_for_residents.html)

- Evaluation Forms are available for review on MedSIS.

**Introduction:**

Before starting your ID rotation, contact Stacey Clark, clarksta@mcmaster.ca or 905-521-2100 x77577. You will need to meet with Dr. Pernica to discuss your objectives at the beginning of the rotation. You should also find out who will be the attending on service when you begin and email that attending to determine where and when to meet them on the first morning. Alternatively, page the attending on call for ID on your first morning via locating. You will need to email Stacey with your Citrix logon so that you can be given access to the ID patient list.

**Expectations:**

1. Dictate all new consults (inpatient and outpatient). Clinic letters should be done using our templates on Patient Link.

2. Write progress notes on your follow-up patients daily

3. Update the ID patient list for tea rounds and weekend handover

4. Be first call for the ID service daily weekdays from 9am to 5pm – call locating and verify that they have your pager number

5. Arrange to meet with your supervisor midway through and at the end of the rotation for mid-session and end of rotation feedback respectively

6. See new consults and attempt to come up with an impression and plan (read around patient issues)

7. Follow your patients and attempt to come up with plans (read around patient issues)

8. Do a critical appraisal of a relevant article and present during your rotation at tea rounds

9. Decide with your attending when is the best time for didactic teaching sessions.

**ID Staff Attendings:**

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**Rotation:**

*The ID attending can be paged anytime during the day if questions come up that need attention sooner*

- Mondays and Fridays (10am), antimicrobial stewardship rounds, PICU
- Tuesday mornings (9am) – ID clinic, 3F
- Thursday afternoon - tea rounds – discuss patients on the list with ID Attendings, infection control, microbiology

Infection control – page infection control practitioner (ICP) on call in the first few days of your rotation. The on-call ICP will let you know which off-service ICP will be available to do a ½ day teaching session with you. Contact that ICP directly to arrange a mutually feasible time.

**Typical day on the infectious diseases rotation:**

1. Touch base with the rotation attending in the morning
2. Round on your follow-up patients on the list, write progress notes
3. See new consults
4. Have lunch in there somewhere
5. Meet the attending in the afternoon to round on new consults and see any follow-ups that need attention

**Evaluations:**

- Please arrange to meet with Dr. Pernica (or your rotational supervisor if he is not available) to go over your rotation objectives at the beginning of your rotation, and again at the end to review your final ITER.
- End of rotation evaluations should be arranged with your assigned rotational supervisor within 6 weeks of completion of rotation; an interim evaluation can be requested
Learner Schedule:

- Kindly note that the Learner Rotation Schedule is considered finalized. Any learner who requires a shift change must make the appropriate arrangements with another resident, and is required to request authorization via e-mail or phone from both Dr. Quang Ngo and Laura Klyne with significant notice.
- Phone: (905) 521-2100, ext. 75620/ Fax: (905) 521-1703/peded@mcmaster.ca.

Absences:

- Please review any anticipated absences with your attending at the start of the rotation.

Education:

- Infectious Disease is often learning on the go – there will be a lot of opportunities for hands on learning
- Each resident is required to present one journal club during their four-week block
- Attendings will do 1-2 half-hour didactic teaching sessions per week

Vacation:

Every resident gets 20 working days vacation each year, July 1 to June 30, with no carry over (i.e. you can’t save some vacation that you didn’t take this year for next year).

As per Postgrad standards, residents are entitled to 5 days of vacation if they spend 4 weeks on ID.

Professionalism:

- As in other rotations, residents are expected to be dressed professionally- this can include scrubs.
- Respectful behavior is expected by staff and residents at all times. Please inform Dr. Pernica of any concerns with regards to harassment in the workplace.