CPX and Step 2 CS prep

2019-20
Objectives

• Purpose and goals of CPX
• Brief overview of past CPX results
• Review areas with the most opportunities for improvement
• Tips for success for CPX and Step 2 CS
• Description of scheduling and results reporting processes
CPX objectives

1. Assess each Application Phase student’s clinical skills
2. Discover areas for each student’s continuing development as physicians
3. Assist with preparation for Step 2 CS
4. Allow ongoing work with Standardized Patients as a means of assessment
CPX Average Scores

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Average</th>
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<td>2014-15</td>
<td>88.80%</td>
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Low pass & failing grades: 2016-2019
Results by section: SP encounter

SP - Hx
SP - PE
SP - IPS
SP - Counseling

2015-16
2016-17
2017-18
2018-19
Results by section: post-encounter

![Graph showing results by section: post-encounter]
Most frequently missed

**SP-graded content**

- Social, Family Hx
- Menstrual, Sexual Hx
- Physical examination
- IPS

**Post-encounter content**

- Other Hx, incl. ROS
- Physical examination
- 3 differentials with rationale
Additions to Interpersonal Skills & Communications Checklists

IPS: Starting out
• Introduce self & role
• Ask patient’s name & preference for how to be addressed
• Open-ended question
• Anything else patient may want to address?

IPS: Closing the encounter
• Summarize the encounter
• Share top differential
• Share next steps
• Ask if patient has any questions
Date assignments

• Course Coordinators to assign January-February dates
• **Contact me by 9/13/19 for earlier CPX date**
  ([julie_messina@med.unc.edu](mailto:julie_messina@med.unc.edu))
• CPX date notifications sent to you min. 4 weeks beforehand
• Extended study time students will be assigned an April CPX date.
Results and feedback reports

• Final results and feedback reports: 4 weeks after test date
• Preliminary results available if taking CS <4 weeks after CPX
• Low passing grades
  • Get in touch for review meeting before CS
• Failing grades
  • Will email to schedule re-test
  • Get in touch for review meeting
• Additional practice available before CS
Tips for success

• Take CPX before Step 2 CS
• Prepare for CPX
• Prepare for Step 2 CS
• First Aid, Kaplan
• Uworld: patient note practice, physical exam techniques with video
• USMLE, YouTube
• CSPSC website
• Want more CS-style practice with SPs pre-CPX? Contact us.