Admission Orders Assignment — Inpatient Medicine Clerkship

Instructions for medical students

For one patient you admit this clerkship, please **handwrite** a set of admission orders. This is to be your own work; do NOT wait until your team writes orders in the chart or on the computer system to do this exercise. Rest assured, you are NOT expected to write perfect orders (identifying all the correct medications and doses along with other tests and treatment options). The main goals of this exercise are for you to include all the key components of admission orders and to demonstrate your clinical reasoning and ability to see “the next steps” in the diagnostic and treatment plans of your patients. Writing effective orders is a great way to demonstrate this to your team.

**Step 1:** See patient and start creating your H&P as usual  
**Step 2:** Construct problem list as part of your H&P  
**Step 3:** Find handwritten order sheets (if they are available) or use blank paper  
**Step 4:** Immediately write orders (do not take this assignment home with you)  
**Step 5:** Give your written orders AND THIS SHEET to your upper-level resident  
**Step 6:** Review orders with your resident (that day or the next day) and get feedback on your work  
**Step 7:** Submit orders and resident feedback (this sheet) with H&Ps at the end of the clerkship

Instructions for upper-level residents

Your medical students are required to write admission orders on one patient during their inpatient medicine clerkship. The students should give you their **handwritten** orders the day the patient is admitted. Please then make time within 24-48 hours of receipt of the orders to review the work and provide specific feedback. As noted above for the students, more important than the specific orders (e.g., perfectly correct meds and doses) is that the student includes all components of basic admission orders, identifies the major problems that need attention and offers a rational approach to these problems using sound clinical reasoning. **THANKS A BUNCH** for helping with this exercise.

**Step 1:** Help the student find an appropriate patient for this exercise  
**Step 2:** Encourage the student to write admission orders before the plan is established by the team  
**Step 3:** Receive orders and complete the feedback section on the back of this form  
**Step 4:** Return this form to the student (to be submitted with other clerkship assignments)  
**Step 5:** Feel free to have the student repeat this process if there is still much to be learned (almost always is...)
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Student Name ____________________________________________

1) Did the student submit independent work in a timely manner?  [ ] yes  [ ] no

2) Were all the basic admission order components present (e.g., ADCVANDISML)?  [ ] yes  [ ] no

3) Did the student identify all the major problems that needed to be addressed?  [ ] yes  [ ] no

4) Did the students demonstrate appropriate clinical reasoning with his/her work?  Be specific.

5) Anything the student did particularly well with his/her orders?

6) What can the student improve upon next time with his/her orders?

Resident Name ________________________________ Signature ____________________________ Date ________