

ROTATION SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

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ELECTIVE - ETHIOPIA UNIVERSITY OF ADDIS ABABA

OVERVIEW & GOALS

The GI division has teamed up with the University of Addis Ababa (Toronto Addis Ababa Academic Collaboration or TAAAC) to develop a GI Residency Training Program for Ethiopia. The University of Toronto has a collaborative project between Addis Ababa University (AAU) in Ethiopia and the Department of Medicine, University of Toronto, to help AAU develop and implement their Subspecialty Residency Training Program. In January 2010, AAU set up initiatives to expand subspecialty training in the areas of Endocrinology, Hematology and Gastroenterology. Development of the gastroenterology program was facilitated by Dr. Jordan Feld and Dr. Louis Liu. Dr. David Wong has taken over Dr. Liu's position since 2016. The ultimate goal of this program is to increase the local level of expertise, so that they can optimize their local resources to care for their own patients and will eventually recruit an adequate number of academic GI faculty to sustain their program. In March 2012, the first cohort of 3 adult GI fellows joined the program. Each of the fellows graduated in April 2014, and remained on as academic GI faculty. As a result of an increase in local expert capacity, the Toronto GI Program was able to obtain a donation in kind, with the assistance of Dr. Des Leddin (Director, WGO Endoscopy Training Centre) and Dr. Jim Toouli (WGO President) to set up the first Endoscopy Training Centre in Ethiopia, at Black Lions Hospital, under the local leadership of Dr. Abate Bane, Addis Ababa University Faculty.

This elective provides the trainee with a unique opportunity to be involved in a global health initiative, in teaching peer learners formally and informally in an underdeveloped health care setting. The trainee also has the unique opportunity to learn how to assess and manage a patient in a setting

CANMEDS-BASED OBJECTIVES

At the end of this rotation, the GI Resident will be able to:

MEDICAL EXPERT

- Demonstrate an understanding of issues in global health
- Perform a detailed history and complete gastrointestinal and nutritional assessment
- Demonstrate knowledge of the epidemiology and pathophysiology of locally prevalent infectious diseases, as they apply to gastroenterology
- Demonstrate an understanding of the natural history of illnesses, in a setting with limited medical resources

RSOs Ethiopia

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- Provide an appropriate differential diagnosis based on a detailed history and complete gastrointestinal and nutritional assessment and develops a care plan

COMMUNICATOR

- Demonstrate effective communication skills (via interpreters) with the Ethiopian patients, in a setting where there is a language barrier (Amharic)

COLLABORATOR

- Effectively work with University of Toronto Gastroenterology faculty and Ethiopian medical faculty and residents for the common goal of ongoing curriculum development
- Effectively work with University of Toronto Gastroenterology faculty and Ethiopian medical residents on research projects

LEADER

- Effectively manage time in an extremely busy outpatient clinic
- Demonstrate an understanding of how to practice in a health-care system that is resource-limited, with focus on physical examination

HEALTH ADVOCATE

- Engage in development of the tools to develop and sustain a local comprehensive health care system, which will allow development and support of allied health care professionals
- Demonstrate understanding of how to help develop a culturally relevant curriculum of postgraduate gastroenterology subspecialty education adapted for the local issues, conditions

SCHOLAR

- Engage in one or two research projects, which are culturally and locally relevant
- Co-train along with University of Toronto faculty, the Ethiopian Residents and learners
- Develop an understanding of how to provide education in postgraduate gastroenterology subspecialty education that is culturally relevant and adapted to locally endemic health disorders
- Prepare and teach didactic lectures to Ethiopian Residents
- Teach endoscopy skills to Ethiopian Residents

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PROFESSIONAL

- Demonstrate honesty and integrity at all times
- Demonstrate good stewardship in the role of physician ambassador for the University of Toronto Gastroenterology Residency Program
- Develop collegial and professional relationships with faculty and Residents from the University of Toronto and Ethiopia