Emory University Department of Gynecology & Obstetrics

Morbidity & Mortality Conference

- Faculty Moderator

- Resident

Introduction

The purpose of M&M is:

- To provide a safe venue for residents to identify areas of improvement, and promote professionalism, ethical integrity and transparency in assessing and improving patient care.
- To promote leadership, research, and scholarly activity and incorporate into a learning opportunity the six core ACGME competencies.
- To provide a forum to teach curriculum on quality improvement and medico legal issues to residents and students.
- To foster a climate of openness and discussion about medical errors.
- All participants are reminded this is a privileged and confidential meeting – subject to peer review and medical review protections in Georgia.

M&M Case Presentation Template

- The case presentation will follow the template below:
 - Brief Overview of rationale for selection of the case, diagnosis and complications
 - Timeline of Key Events
 - All potential causes of complications
 - How complications could have been prevented, ameliorated, or managed
 - What we would have done differently
 - Any evidence-based literature that is applicable
 - What ACGME competency does the case teach us about
 - The knowledge gaps
 - Take home points

Brief Overview of Case

- Rationale for selection of case
- Diagnosis
- Complication

Timeline of Key Events

Restate Complications

Identify all potential causes of the complications

Clinical Issues

- How could/should the complications have been
 - Prevented
 - Ameliorated
 - Managed
- What would you have done differently

The patient care issue occurred as a problem related to.....

- Medical Knowledge
- Patient care provided or not provided
- Communication and interpersonal skills
- Professionalism
- Practice-based learning and improvement
- Systems-based practice

Evidence Based Literature

The knowledge gaps are

What we know...

There are known known's. These are things we know that we know.

What is not known...

 There are known unknowns. These are the things that we know we don't know.

Take Home Points