

O10. Common obstetric and gynaecological presentations

Assessment of these competencies is via Mini-CEX, CbD (formative or summative) or ACAT-EM and a reflective log. In addition, key aspects of communication and professionalism can be captured through MSF.

Potential presentations in which these competencies could be assessed include the following:

- Abdominal pain or shock in early pregnancy
- Bleeding in early or late pregnancy
- Female with fever, abdominal pain- suspected pelvic inflammatory disease
- Late pregnancy complications e.g. preeclampsia/ eclampsia

Trainees are expected to achieve EPA level 2 (Direct active – full supervision by senior clinician, with prompting/ verbal and actual guidance and help throughout) in these competencies.

Knowledge/ Skill/ Behaviour	Detail of competency
Knowledge	Knows the causes of pelvic pain, vaginal discharge and bleeding in women of all ages, including pregnancy
	Knows the normal physiological changes of pregnancy
	Knows the early complications of pregnancy and their pathophysiology
	Knows the complications of middle, late pregnancy, their presentations and pathophysiology
	Knows the pharmacology of drug metabolism at different trimesters of pregnancy and safe prescribing
	Knows the common presentations, systemic manifestations, pathogens and appropriate initial investigation for potential PID
	Knows the common post-partum life threatening presentations e.g. bleeding, PE
Skills- History	Is able to elicit a full sexual and reproductive history
	Is able to take an obstetric history
Skills - Examination	Is able to undertake a full examination of a patient with pelvic pain
	Is able to demonstrate a bimanual pelvic examination, use of speculum and obtain microbiological swabs when appropriate
	Is able to examine the foetus in pregnancy, including cardiac sounds, presentation, size
	In a patient that is bleeding, is able to examine using systematic ABCDE approach and assess requirements for resuscitation
	Is able to investigate suspected preeclampsia

Knowledge/ Skill/ Behaviour	Detail of competency
Skills- investigation and treatment	Can explain the rationale for investigations and commence the appropriate treatment
Skills- Clinical decision making and judgement (In addition to CC1)	In the acutely unwell patient, bleeding or sepsis, is able to carry out initial assessment and initiate resuscitation and refer appropriately
	Recognises life threatening presentations such as eclampsia, PE, massive haemorrhage
Behaviour- communication & professionalism (In addition to CC7 & CC8)	Is able to communicate the need for the examination and explain to the patient throughout examination
	Recognises the need for a chaperone
Paediatric	No additional competences