Surgical Rotation Case Requirements

Interpretation of Standard III.C

Clinical Case Requirements—CCST6e 2013

1. The total number of cases the student must complete is 120. (During Clinical 1 to 4 Rotations)

2. Students are required to complete 30 cases in General Surgery. Twenty of the cases must be in the First Scrub Role.

3. Students are required to complete 90 cases in various surgical specialties. Sixty of the cases must be in the First Scrub Role and evenly distributed between a minimum of 5 surgical specialties. However, 15 is the maximum number of cases that can be counted in any one surgical specialty.

4. The surgical technology program is required to verify through the surgical rotation documentation the students’ progression from First and Second Scrubbing surgical procedures of increased complexity as he/she moves toward entry-level abilities.

   **(Clinical cases are documented in 2 ways – Surgical Case Record updated onsite daily, Case log Spreadsheet is completed and submitted weekly to instructor)**

5. Diagnostic endoscopy and vaginal delivery cases are not mandatory. Up to 10 diagnostic and 5 vaginal delivery cases can be counted toward maximum number of Second Scrub Role cases.

6. Observation cases must be documented, but do not count toward the 120 case requirement.

7. Counting cases: Cases will be counted according to surgical specialty.

Example:

- Trauma patient requires a splenectomy and a repair of a Lefort I fracture. Two cases can be counted and documented since the splenectomy is general surgery and the Lefort I is oral-maxillofacial surgical specialty.

- A patient requires a breast biopsy followed by mastectomy. This is one pathology and specialty, breast cancer/general surgery; therefore it can only be counted as one procedure/case.