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## Goal

### 1. Evaluation of Coma

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#### Objectives

1.1 - Define Coma

#### Competency

None | [More](#)

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#### Objectives

1.2 - Obtain a pertinent history from collateral historians

#### Competency

None | [More](#)

#### Resources

#### Objectives

1.3 - Examine respiration, eye movements, motor function and reflexes, brainstem reflexes to determine if coma is structural or non-structural (localize the lesion if structural)

#### Competency

None | [More](#)

#### Resources

#### Objectives

1.4 - Describe the urgent evaluation and management of coma

#### Competency

None | [More](#)

#### Resources

## Objectives

1.5 - Describe the urgent evaluation and management of status epilepticus

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

 [Status epilepticus guideline](#) 

## Objectives

1.6 - Understand the definition and approach to the determination of Brain Death.

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

 [Brain Death article](#) 

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## Goal

### 2. Evaluation of Dementia

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## Objectives

2.1 - Obtain the pertinent history from the patient and collateral historians

2.1a - Distinguish pseudodementia from true dementia  
2.1b - Determine the presence of medical and environmental risk factors for dementia

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

2.2 - Perform a mental status examination

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

2.3 - Perform a complete neurologic examination

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Objectives

2.4 - Use the appropriate laboratory and neuro-imaging to rule out reversible causes of dementia

Resources

Competency

None | [More](#)

Resources

## Objectives

2.5 - Know the available therapies for Alzheimer's disease and understand the mechanism of action of these medications

Competency

None | [More](#)

Resources

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## Goal

### 3. Evaluation of Cerebrovascular Disease

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## Objectives

3.1 - Obtain an accurate history of the event to enable localization of the lesion

Competency

None | [More](#)

Resources

 [Dr. Reda's CV Disease slides](#) 

## Objectives

3.2 - Be able to demonstrate focal neurologic findings in a patient with stroke and use these to localize the lesion

Competency

None | [More](#)

Resources

## Objectives

3.3 - Understand the basic mechanisms of stroke

Competency

None | [More](#)

Resources

## Objectives

3.4 - Use appropriate testing to confirm the mechanism of stroke

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

3.5 - Identify common risk factors and mechanisms of stroke in young patients as well as elderly patients

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

3.6 - Be able to counsel a patient in the use of anti-coagulant and anti-platelet agents

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

3.7 - Know the indications and contra-indications for the use of tPA

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

 [Use of tPA](#) 

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## Goal

### 4. Evaluation of Headache

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## Objectives

4.1 - Obtain an accurate history and be able to differentiate benign (primary) headache from secondary headache due to elevated intracranial pressure, subarachnoid hemorrhage, CNS infection, and vasculitis

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

 [Dr. Moseley's Headache PPT](#) 

 [HA powerpoint](#) 

## Objectives

4.2 - Recognize the common features of migraine, tension headache, cluster headache, and trigeminal neuralgia

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

4.3 - Describe common modes of treatment for migraine headache

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

 [HA protocols](#) 

## Objectives

4.4 - Describe the treatments available for trigeminal neuralgia

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

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## Goal

5. Evaluation of Spine and Limb Pain

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## Objectives

5.1 - Obtain an accurate history of the pain including temporal profile, inciting events, pain location and radiation, aggravating and alleviating factors, and associated symptoms

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

 [Back Pain-Wicklund](#) 

## Objectives

5.2 - Discern historical features that suggest neurologic involvement

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

5.3 - Identify common non-neurologic causes of spine and limb pain

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

5.4 - Recognize neurologic causes of spine and limb pain requiring emergent evaluation and treatment (ie epidural cord compression)

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

5.5 - Understand the anatomy and clinical picture of disc herniation

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

5.6 - Identify situations in which surgery should be considered as treatment for radiculopathy (electively or emergently)

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

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## Goal

### 6. Evaluation of Peripheral Neuropathy

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## Objectives

6.1 - Elicit an accurate history of symptoms

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

 [Dr. Reda's PN slides](#) 

## Objectives

## Competency

6.2 - Perform a neurologic examination

None | [More](#)

[Resources](#)

## Objectives

Competency

6.3 - Use the history and examination to determine the category of neuropathy (ie sensorineural polyneuropathy, mononeuropathy, small fiber neuropathy, etc)

None | [More](#)

[Resources](#)

## Objectives

Competency

6.4 - Understand the role of EMG and other laboratory testing in the diagnosis of neuropathy

None | [More](#)

[Resources](#)

## Objectives

Competency

6.5 - Recognize the potentially life-threatening neuropathies and describe the treatment of Guillain-Barre Syndrome

None | [More](#)

[Resources](#)

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## Goal

7. Evaluation of Movement Disorders

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## Objectives

Competency

7.1 - Recognize the historical features and neurological signs of Parkinsonism, Essential Tremor, and Restless Legs Syndrome

None | [More](#)

[Resources](#)

 [Dr. Moseley's Movement Disorders](#)

## Objectives

Competency

7.2 - Demonstrate the typical neurologic findings in a patient with Parkinson's Disease

None | [More](#)

## Objectives

7.3 - Distinguish a rest tremor from and an action tremor and intention tremor

Resources

Competency

None | [More](#)

Resources

## Objectives

7.4 - Identify medications used in the treatment of Parkinson's disease, Essential Tremor, and Restless Legs Syndrome

Competency

None | [More](#)

Resources

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## Goal

### 8. Evaluation of Demyelinating Disease

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## Objectives

8.1 - Obtain an accurate history and recognize the common symptoms of multiple sclerosis

Competency

None | [More](#)

Resources

 [MS-Dr. Wicklund](#) 

## Objectives

8.2 - Be able to explain to a patient the basic pathophysiology of MS

Competency

None | [More](#)

Resources

## Objectives

8.3 - Recognize the most common physical findings seen in a patient with MS

Competency

None | [More](#)

Resources



## Objectives

8.4 - Understand the role of neuro-imaging and spinal fluid examination to confirm the diagnosis of MS

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

8.5 - Identify the available treatments for an acute attack of demyelinating disease and disease modifying therapy for patients with MS

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

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## Goal

### 9. Evaluation of Dizziness and Vertigo

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## Objectives

9.1 - Be able to elicit an accurate history of the dizzy patient and differentiate a vestibular disturbance from presyncope, ataxia, and non-specific "wooziness"

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

 [Dr. Reda's Dizziness slides](#) 

## Objectives

9.2 - Recognize the typical history of benign paroxysmal positional vertigo (BPPV)

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

9.3 - Understand the utility of the Dix-Hallpike maneuver and canalith repositioning the treatment of BPPV

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

## Competency

9.4 - Differentiate a peripheral vestibular disturbance from a central nervous system disorder

None | [More](#)

[Resources](#)

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## Goal

### 10. Lumbar Puncture

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#### Objectives

10.1 - Understand the appropriate indications and contraindications for performance of a lumbar puncture

#### Competency

None | [More](#)

[Resources](#)

#### Objectives

10.2 - Be able to counsel the patient concerning the risks and benefits of the procedure

#### Competency

None | [More](#)

[Resources](#)

#### Objectives

10.3 - Understand the management of post-LP headache

#### Competency

None | [More](#)

[Resources](#)

#### Objectives

10.4 - Successfully perform a lumbar puncture under the supervision of the spinal nurse, consultant, or resident

#### Competency

None | [More](#)

[Resources](#)

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## Goal

### 11. Evaluation of Seizures

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## Objectives

11.1 - Be able to differentiate seizures from common mimickers

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

 [Dr. Moseley's epilepsy ppt](#) 

## Objectives

11.2 - Be able to differentiate between complex partial, generalized tonic clonic, and absence seizures based on history/examination

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

11.3 - Identify common medications used to treat partial, generalized tonic clonic, and absence seizures

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

## Objectives

11.4 - Identify other management options when seizure medications fail

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

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## Goal

12. Localization in Neurology

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## Objectives

1.1 - Definition

## Competency

None | [More](#)

## Resources

 [Neurologic Localization-Dr. Wicklun](#)