STRUCTURED CLINICAL OBSERVATION (SCO)

Observer: Date: //_ Trainee: PL1 PL2 PL3 MS3 MS4				
Site: ☐ continuity clinic ☐ other outpatient ☐ inpatient ☐ ER Type of Visit: ☐ well child ☐ sick visit ☐ follow-up Patient type: ☐ new pt ☐ established pt Patient Gender: ☐ M ☐ F Patient age: ☐ Newborn (1-31 days) ☐ Infant (32 days - 11 months) ☐ Toddler (1-4 yrs) ☐ School-age (5 - 11 yrs) ☐ Adolescent (>12 yrs) Indicate the portion of visit and particular items observed. Please check all that apply.				
☐ Data Gathering	☐ Physical Exam	☐ Information Giving		
☐ Interim history (well child)	☐ HEENT	☐ Anticipatory Guidance		
□ CC/HPI	☐ Cardiac	☐ Immunization info		
☐ Diet/Sleep/Elimination	☐ Pulmonary	☐ Illness explanation		
☐ PMH/Health Maintenance	☐ Abdominal	☐ Management		
□ ROS/HEADS	☐ Genitourinary	☐ Follow-up instructions		
☐ Development/School History	☐ Orthopedic	□ Other		
☐ Family History	☐ Neurological			
☐ Social/Cultural History	☐ Other			
Key Feedback Points: 1.				
2.				
3.				
Time Spent in Observation: min. Time Spent in Feedback: min.				
Resident Signature: Preceptor Signature:				

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SCO Skill Checklist

Please place a check by each item below to indicate behaviors that were observed $(Y=Yes, N=No, N/A=no\ opportunity\ to\ observe\ or\ not\ applicable\ this\ encounter)$

N	N/A	Data Gathering
		(ACGME competencies: Patient Care, Communication Skills)
		Allows patient/parent to complete opening statement
		Starts with open ended questions
		Avoids use of leading questions
		Limits questions with multiple parts
		Explicitly elicits patient's/parent's beliefs about causes of the illness or problem
		Asks about remedies or therapies used to address chief complaint
		Asks about non-traditional remedies and therapies
		Asks specific questions about cultural, religious, spiritual, or ethical values
		Asks about life events & circumstances that might affect the patient's health/ treatment
		Asks about family members or significant others who live in the home or care for the child
		Asks for clarification if necessary
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		Explicitly elicits patient's/parents expectations regarding the visit
		Proceeds with logical sequencing of questions
N	N/A	Interpersonal Skills
		(ACGME competencies: Communication Skills, Professionalism)
		Introduces self
		Addresses parent / patient by name after initial introductions
		Appropriately includes child in interview
		Avoids interrupting parent/ patient
		Actively listens using nonverbal techniques (e.g. eye contact, nodding)
		Expresses empathy (e.g. using tone of voice, "That must be hard for you")
		Explicitly recognizes patient's/parent's feelings or concerns (e.g. "you seem upset, sad, angry")
		Deals effectively with language barriers
NI	NT/A	Demonstrates sensitivity to health beliefs and religious or spiritual issues
IN	IVA	Physical Examination
		(ACGME competencies: Patient Care) Washes hands
		Matches sequence of exam to cooperation level
		Includes all appropriate elements of exam
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