Resident as Teacher Curriculum - Delivering an Effective Chalk Talk

- Preparation is key. Give yourself time. The execution flows from the preparation.
- Prepare to make your chalk talk P-O-P by planning, organizing, and performing purposefully

PREPARE

Brainstorm topics that would be good for a chalk talk

- **Common –** Have you seen it before? Multiple times?
- **High risk** Important? Need quick decision? Improper decision making have big consequences?
- Confusing Have you had to look it up? Multiple

Illness Script to frame the discussion with typical presentation

- Age & sex
- Risk factors
- Diagnostic script v. Management script

Key Points – What two key points do you want your audience to remember two week from now?

Visuals to connect/relate content

- Anatomy / Physiologic pathways
- Flow diagrams / Decision trees
- **Graphs / Timelines**
- Tables
- Venn-Diagrams

ORGANIZE

Tasks

- Write
- Think/Brainstorm
- **Discuss**
- Draw

PERFORM

Questions (How will you coax the tasks?)

- Where will you ask questions?
- What will the basic question content be?

EXECUTE

Timeline (Start to Finish, 5-15 min)

- Activator quick activity to get group thinking about something related to the topics
- Illness script
- Overarching goal of chalk talk
- **Build the content through** engagement/questions (i.e., the content you've organized)
- Re-state the illness script
- State key points

Fill the board with BIG enough writing for all to see (and AVOID erasing)

Target questions to your audience:

Advanced Open or learner complex questions Specific questions Novice learner