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| **1. Title** | **Conducting ward rounds** |
| **2. Description (Specifications and limitations)** | ***Setting:***<br>Medical ward (in-hospital or other institutions)<br><br>***Timeframe:*** starts with round preparation until end of round / debriefing<br><br>***Includes the following tasks:***<br>• Preparation of the round<br>• Leading the round<br>• Debriefing the round<br><br>***Excludes:*** case presentation, interprofessional chart review (contre-visite, controgiro, Kardex® Visite) |
| **3. Potential risks in case of failure** | Inadequate patient care, threat to healthcare teamwork, to the institution. |
| **4. Most relevant Competency Domains (emphasis)** | • Leader/Manager<br>• Communicator<br>• Collaborator |
| **5. Knowledge, Skills, Attitude** | ***Knowledge and skills:***<br>• Gets familiar with present information about the patients to be seen<br>• Practices patient-centered, focused collection of actual state of health information and focused physical examination<br>• Develops and evaluates diagnostic hypotheses<br>• Applies clinical reasoning and copes with concomitant uncertainty<br>• Discusses the further management, the therapeutic goals and the discharge from the hospital with all persons involved<br>• Recognizes the priorities and is able to handle interruptions and urgencies<br>• Plans and uses the pre-determined time frame for rounds with respect to patients' needs and complexity<br>• Encourages participation of nurses, students and other health care professionals<br>• Plans further management steps according to the information and decisions from the ward round<br><br>***Attitudes:***<br>• Demonstrates calmness and flexibility<br>• Demonstrates an empathetic, open, and receptive attitude towards patients, relatives, and team members |

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| | • Engages patients in developing plans that reflect the patient's health care needs and preferences<br>• Demonstrates reliable behavior towards the ward round team and the patients<br>• Demonstrates professionalism: respect, proactive involvement, integrity, reliability, collegiality<br>• Demonstrates openness to feedback and opinions of other<br>• Is aware of own limits and seeks help if needed |
| **6. Information sources to assess progress** | • Direct observation<br>• Multisource feedback<br>• Reflective practice |
| **7. Entrustment/ Supervision Level expected** | Supervise others (Level 5) |
| **8. Expiration date** | NA |

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