

AAPPM Postgraduate Division

Evidence Based Medicine Protocol Curriculum

Objectives

By completion of this Curriculum residents should be successful at....

- Critically reviewing research articles and defining the level of evidence.
- Organizing a protocol algorithm for specific podiatric pathology utilizing evidence based medicine.
- Proper billing and coding for a suggested protocol algorithm.
- A written description of the thought process demonstrating proper utilization of evidence based medicine and practice management principles in creating a practice protocol for a given podiatric pathology.

Procedures for Accomplishing Objectives

- Perform a literature search and critically review articles using provided educational tools provided by the AAPPM
- Create a treatment algorithm for a specific podiatric pathology utilizing evidence-based medicine. Organize the algorithm in a First, Second, Third office visit format.
- Describe your thought process in (2000) words or less using EBM and clinical experience to describe your protocol decisions.
- Outline proper billing and coding for each office visit in your protocol.

Assessment

- All complete treatment protocols including algorithm, billing and coding guidelines, and written clinical reasoning explanation should be submitted to the American Academy of Podiatric Practice Management.
- Each complete protocol will be reviewed by the AAPPM Protocol Committee and graded on quality and completeness. (See attached Evaluation Form)
- The highest quality protocol will be selected to receive the Evidence Based Medicine in Podiatric Practice Management Award that includes a \$1000 stipend to attend the AAPPM Midwinter conference to give an oral presentation of the protocol. Free registration will be granted to the awardee. The protocol will also be published in Practice Management Publications.

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Evidence Based Medicine Protocol GUIDELINES/ SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

ALGORITHM (Office protocol)

- In office visit format (Office Visit #1...#2....#3....ect)
- Include references
- Include billing and coding guidelines/ recommendations

ALGORITHM CLINICAL REASONING PAPER

- Appropriately discusses the treatment algorithm using evidence based medicine
- <3000 words (not including references)
- Include references/citations

TIPS AND PEARLS

- Do a thorough literature search on you chosen podiatric pathology
- Incorporate clinical judgment into your protocol. There are treatments or modalities that have not been fully evaluated in the literature but can still be a vital tool in a treatment plan.
- Create a complete protocol from conservative to surgical intervention
- Do not focus on specific surgical techniques when developing your protocols (ie: Austin vs. Z osteotomy vs Lapidus).
- Your Clinical reasoning paper should not be a review article but rather an explanatory paper discussing your treatment protocol and clinical reasoning.
- Utilize multiple attending physicians and mentors to explore personal preferences and treatment protocols.

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PROTOCOL SUBMISSION FORM
DUE DATE: OCTOBER 7TH 2013

NAME: _____

RESIDENCY: _____

RESIDENCY: DIRECTOR: _____

YEAR IN RESIDENCY (circle one): 1ST YEAR 2ND YEAR 3RD YEAR

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _(_____) _____

PROTOCOL TOPIC: _____

PLEASE SUBMIT FORM AND ATTACHED PROTOCOL TO:

American Academy of Podiatric Practice Management
1000 W St Joseph Hwy, Ste 200 Lansing, MI 48915
517-485-9408 Fax

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Evidence Based Medicine Protocol EVALUATION FORM

NAME: _____ Protocol Topic: _____

1: Poor 2: Below average 3: Average 4: Above average 5: Excellent

Quality of Evidence

Appropriate number of references:	1	2	3	4	5
Quality of references (high levels of evidence)	1	3	3	4	5
Displays understanding of evidence based medicine	1	2	3	4	5

Algorithm

Appropriate layout for clinical implementation	1	2	3	4	5
Clearly demonstrate clinical protocol	1	2	3	4	5

Billing and Coding

Appropriate use of CPT codes	1	2	3	4	5
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Clinical Reasoning

Shows appropriate clinical reasoning skills	1	2	3	4	5
Demonstrates comprehensive care	1	2	3	4	5

Overall Quality

Grammar	1	2	3	4	5
Appearance	1	2	3	4	5
Completeness	1	2	3	4	5

TOTAL: _____

OVERALL COMMENTS: