

New York-Presbyterian – Columbia and Weill Cornell campuses

Otolaryngology Residency Program

Third Year Residents (PGY3)

Educational Program

Knowledge Base: At the completion of PGY-3 of specialty training, the resident will have the following knowledge:

- Basic and clinical science knowledge as continues in the second year of the Basic and Clinical Science lecture series and conferences, including anatomy, physiology, embryology, pathology, genetics, communication sciences, neoplasms, disorders of the ear, face, and neck, etc.
- Understands the rationale, content and implementation of diagnostic workup for neoplasms; accomplished by literature review, and case presentations at the interdisciplinary Head and Neck Tumor Board.
- Understanding of research techniques including proposal design, literature review, data analysis and manuscript drafting.

Clinical Skills Development

The resident:

- Builds on clinical skills developed as a PGY-2 resident.
- Develops skill with lasers including CO₂, YAG and Argon beam after proper requirements are met (under direct visual supervision of Attendings)
- Develops skill with the following procedures: direct laryngoscopy, esophagoscopy, septoplasty, soft tissue mass excision, turbinectomy, rigid nasal endoscopy, cervical node biopsy, etc.
- Learns to assist in more complex procedures, such as neck dissection, thyroidectomy, and bronchoscopy with biopsy or foreign body removal.
- Improves skill in fiberoptic endoscopy, otologic microscopy, and diagnosis.
- Demonstrates professionalism and good interpersonal and communication skills

Resident Duties

- Presents tumor cases at tumor conferences. Under guidance of Attendings, organizes the content of presentations for this conference.
- As Consult Resident, is responsible for seeing and following adult consults service, as well as tending to adult ER consultations. This resident should formulate a plan and institute it after discussing the cases with the chief and/or Attending.
- Assists on major surgical procedures.

- Develops skill with lasers including CO2, YAG and Argon beam after proper requirements are met.
- Attends all required courses and Grand Rounds.

Progression of Responsibilities

- By being in charge of the adult and ER consults, formulating diagnoses and treatment plans with the Chief Resident and Attending, participating in the multidisciplinary Tumor Board conference, and by operating, the PGY-3 resident improves skills that prepare him/her for the increasing responsibilities of the PGY-4 year.

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