

Evaluation Form

Practices may wish to evaluate and document the competences of the APPs in their office. This *Training Guide Evaluation Form* has been developed to provide a systematic approach to a competence-based assessment. The evaluation has been divided into two levels:

- Level One APP is new to urogynecology (up to 2 years' experience)
- Level Two APP has experience working in a gynecologic/urogynecologist practice (2 plus years' experience) When **Level Two** is completed, APP would be managing interactions independently, accessing consultation at the discretion of the APP, and/or in accordance with individualized practice guidelines and state-specific regulatory statutes. An APP that has achieved Level Two would focus on maintaining Urogynecology-focused Technical Skills by attending related educational meetings/courses.

LEVEL ONE		
(APP is new to urogynecology, and shadowing mentors and/or co-examining and co-managing patients.)		
Competency	Date	
	Achieved/Initials	
Describe basic abdominal, pelvic, and pelvic floor anatomy, and distinguish abnormal		
Findings.		
Describe basic normal lower urinary tract and pelvic floor physiology and functional		
anatomy.		
Describe pathophysiology of stress urinary incontinence (SUI), overactive bladder/		
urgency urinary incontinence (OAB/UUI), neurogenic lower urinary trac dysfunction, and pelvic organ prolapse (POP).		
Describe risk factors, symptoms, expected physical exam findings for SUI, OAB/UUI, POP.		
Identify resources to inform clinical urogyn questions (texts, online tools and websites).		
Obtain comprehensive urogynecology history from women who report lower urinary		
tract and pelvic floor symptoms at both new and return visits, including		
assessment of quality of life and symptom bother.		
Perform advanced pelvic and external genitalia examination including neurologic		
components, POP-Q examination, perineal skin assessment, pelvic muscle evaluation		
for integrity, function and pain, and vaginal and/or rectal examination as appropriate.		
Assess for contributing factors to incontinence, including cognition and mobility.		
Perform basic bladder function assessment including uroflow interpretation, post void		
residual (straight catheter and ultrasound scanner), and appropriate testing for urinary		
tract infection and hematuria.		
List abnormal findings related to pelvic floor symptoms that would indicate need for		
urgent referral (e.g. unexplained weight loss, bleeding, acute pain, atypical findings).		
Formulate basic differential diagnoses for pelvic floor conditions.		
Interpret findings and describe basic management options to women with varied		
levels of education and understanding.		
Formulate an initial management plan for uncomplicated pelvic floor disorders,		
working.		



with each woman to incorporate her values and preferences, and reviewing options at a basic level (behavioral, physical therapies, devices, surgeries).	
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Provide education related to specific lifestyle (dietary, fluid, weight) and behavioral	
treatments to women with OAB/UUI, SUI, and POP.	
Provide evidenced-based dietary and behavioral treatment counseling regarding	
constipation and bowel dysfunction.	
Describe basic pharmacologic management for women with OAB/UUI,	
SUI, and POP.	
Demonstrate ability to use setting's medical record, including problem lists/coding,	
visit documentation, order entry and result retrieval and follow-up.	
Demonstrate basic understanding of cost-effective care.	
Utilize appropriate terminology to describe pelvic floor function.	
LEVEL TWO	. 1.1
(APP is ready to see women without direct oversight but may be reviewing selections)	ct cases with a
mentor.)	Dodo
Competency	Date
	Achieved/Initials
Demonstrate basic knowledge of abnormal lower urinary tract and pelvic floor	
anatomy and physiology.	
Assess bowel dysfunction (stool and symptom history, physical examination, any	
indicated laboratory testing or imaging, differential diagnosis).	
Demonstrate ability to perform or interpret complex urodynamics, anal manometry,	
pelvic floor physical therapy and biofeedback.	
Demonstrate ability to interpret common laboratory results (urine microscopy, urine	
and vaginal yeast culture and sensitivity, pathology reports) and imaging results.	
Demonstrate application of basic surgical principles, including informed consent,	
universal precautions, aseptic technique, and handling of tissue biopsies.	
Formulate comprehensive patient-centered management plans for women with	
common comorbidities (e.g. hypertension, diabetes, obesity, mobility-impairment,	
anxiety/ depression). Formulate comprehensive patient-centered, management plans with women with	
recurring or chronic pelvic floor disorders.	
Describe general algorithms for management of higher-risk findings (e.g.	
asymptomatic microscopic hematuria, gross hematuria, refractory OAB, underactive	
bladder/incomplete bladder emptying/urinary retention, chronic constipation, pelvic	
pain syndromes).	
Discuss treatment options, risks and benefits with women and their families, guiding	
formulation of realistic initial treatment goals and correlated management options.	
Analyzes and interprets routine and advanced diagnostic and imaging tests.	
Formulates a differential diagnosis based on a comprehensive genitourinary	
assessment, knowledge of age and age-related changes, potential roles of	
polypharmacy and drug adverse effects, and comorbidities affecting lower urinary	

Counsel		
Provide education on behavioral strategies to women with OAB/UUI, SUI, and POP.	Date	
	Achieved/Initials	
Provide pre- and post-operative counseling.		
Describe pharmacologic treatment options for women with pelvic floor disorders		
complicated by multiple medication use.		
Determine need for consultation, referral, or transfer of women with complex pelvic		
floor disorders, adverse responses to treatment, or comorbidities.		
Monitor own practice outcomes to improve practice.		
Participate in patient-safety tracking/quality improvement projects and systems analysis.		
Incorporate cost awareness into clinical decision-making (formulary and generic drugs,		
tailored diagnostic tests).		