Stages of Life

Stages of Life spans the life cycle beginning with birth and infancy and concluding with the aging and dying patient. We investigate the normal patterns of development, the physical/biological challenges and common concerns of each stage – infancy childhood, adolescence, adulthood and elders. We also delve into topics such as palliative care, grief and loss, life style changes over time and chronic challenges that can develop.

The Stages of Life contains 5 Clinical Presentations (and Clinical Cases) focused on the most frequently encountered clinical presentations for a primary care physician.

- Each CP starts with a scheme that is presented by a clinical faculty.
- Each CP is introduced by a brief definition and a statement of its clinical significance along with a list of potential causes. Clinical faculty will discuss the scheme emphasizing critical decision points and setting the framework for the investigation of the basic and clinical sciences.
- Basic scientific concepts are interwoven within each CP providing the necessary basis for understanding relationships and causal entities. Clinical relevance and appropriate application of basic scientific knowledge is reinforced with case examples related to that CP.
- Students will participate in clinical presentation sessions, clinical case sessions in their colleges as well as take part in a Medical Skills course that runs concurrently. Sessions will be engaging and valuable to students.

Clinical Presentations:

- Crying baby
- Gastroenteritis
- Short stature
- Occupational toxic exposure
- Fall