

Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery: Core EPA #15

Assessing and managing patients presenting with a sinonasal mass (SC)

Key Features:

- The observation of this EPA is divided into two parts: patient assessments and an operative biopsy of a complex nasal mass
- This task includes performing a biopsy and/or subtotal resection of a sinonasal mass with tissue adequacy confirmed by frozen section

Assessment plan:

Part A: Patient assessment

Supervisor does assessment based on direct observation

Use Form 1. Form collects information on:

- Indication for biopsy: yes; no

Collect 2 observations of achievement

- At least one case needing discussion of biopsy

Part B: Procedure

Supervisor does assessment based on direct observation

Use Form 2. (O-score criteria) Form collects information on:

- Procedure: subtotal resection; biopsy

Collect 1 observation of achievement

Relevant milestones (Part A)

- 1 C ME 1.4.1** Apply a broad base and depth of knowledge in the basic and clinical sciences relevant to Oto - HNS
- 2 C ME 1.4.2** Apply a broad base and depth of knowledge in clinical and biomedical sciences to the medical and surgical management of the breadth of patient presentations in Oto - HNS
- 3 C ME 1.4.4** Apply a broad base and depth of knowledge in clinical and biomedical sciences as they apply to the therapeutic techniques/procedures relevant to Oto - HNS
 - Principles of image guidance systems and their application to surgery
- 4 C ME 2.1.1** Consider clinical urgency, feasibility, availability of resources, and comorbidities in determining priorities to be addressed during the current encounter or during future visits or with other health care practitioners
- 5 C ME 2.2.9** **Select and interpret appropriate investigations for any Oto-HNS presentation based on a differential diagnosis**
- 6 C ME 3.1.3** **Integrate planned procedures or therapies into global assessment and management plans**
- 7 C ME 3.2.2** **Use shared decision-making in the consent process, taking risk and uncertainty into consideration**
- 8 C ME 3.3.2** **Triage a procedure or therapy, taking into account clinical urgency, potential for deterioration, and available resources**
- 9 C COM 3.1.1** **Provide information on diagnosis and prognosis in a clear, compassionate, respectful, and objective manner**
- 10 C COL 1.2.2** Liaise with intersecting health professions

