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**Introduction**

**Duration and Scope of Education**

What is the length, in months, of the educational program?

Choose an item.

**Program Personnel and Resources**

**Resources**

* + - 1. Do residents have responsibility for regular pre-operative evaluation and post-operative follow-up of their assigned cases? [ ] YES [ ] NO

If ‘YES,’ do residents have access to the following?

* + - * 1. Clinics [ ] YES [ ] NO
				2. Office space [ ] YES [ ] NO
				3. Outpatient facilities [ ] YES [ ] NO
			1. Do residents have access to technologically-current equipment necessary for diagnosis and treatment? [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses to Questions 1 and 2. (Limit 300 words)

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* + - 1. How does the program ensure there is a sufficient number and variety of adult and pediatric medical and surgical patients available for resident education at the Sponsoring Institution and participating sites? (Limit 400 words)

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* + - 1. How does the program ensure there is sufficient operative time available to ensure adequate surgical experiences for all residents? (Limit 400 words)

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* + - 1. Are the following clinical resources available?
1. Anesthesiology [ ] YES [ ] NO
2. Audiology [ ] YES [ ] NO
3. Emergency medicine [ ] YES [ ] NO
4. Internal medicine [ ] YES [ ] NO
5. Neurological surgery [ ] YES [ ] NO
6. Neurology [ ] YES [ ] NO
7. Ophthalmology [ ] YES [ ] NO
8. Pathology [ ] YES [ ] NO
9. Pediatrics [ ] YES [ ] NO
10. Radiology [ ] YES [ ] NO
11. Speech pathology [ ] YES [ ] NO
12. Thoracic surgery [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses. (Limit 300 words)

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* + - 1. Are the following resources are available to allow residents to receive education in the correlation between basic science knowledge and clinical application?
				1. Equipment [ ] YES [ ] NO
				2. Funding for instruction and study of the basic sciences [ ] YES [ ] NO
				3. Personnel [ ] YES [ ] NO
				4. Space [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses. (Limit 300 words)

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**Specialty-Specific Educational Program**

**ACGME-I Competencies**

**Professionalism**

How do graduating residents demonstrate a commitment to fulfilling their professional responsibilities and adhering to ethical principles?

Describe how these traits are evaluated (limit 300 words).

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How do graduating residents demonstrate the following?

Compassion, integrity, and respect for others

Responsiveness to patient needs that supersedes self-interest

Respect for patient privacy and autonomy

Accountability to patients, society, and the profession

Sensitivity and responsiveness to a diverse patient population, including to diversity in gender, age, culture, race, religion, disabilities, and sexual orientation

Provide examples of how traits are assessed in four of the seven areas listed. (Limit 400 words)

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**Patient Care and Procedural Skills**

How do graduating residents demonstrate the ability to provide patient care that is compassionate, appropriate, and effective for the treatment of health problems and the promotion of health?

Describe how this is evaluated. (Limit 300 words)

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How do graduating residents demonstrate competence in independent clinical decision-making and sound clinical judgment and possessing the ability to formulate and carry out appropriate management plans for otolaryngology conditions?

Describe how competence is evaluated. (Limit 400 words)

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How do graduating residents demonstrate competence in the utilization and performance of diagnostic methods, including audiologic, vestibular, and vocal function testing; biopsy and fine needle aspiration techniques; and other clinical and laboratory procedures related to the diagnosis of diseases and disorders of the upper aerodigestive tract and the head and neck?

Describe how competence is evaluated. (Limit 400 words)

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How do graduating residents demonstrate competence in therapeutic and diagnostic imaging, specifically interpreting medical images of the head and neck and the thorax, including studies of the temporal bone, skull, nose, paranasal sinuses, salivary and thyroid glands, larynx, necks, lungs, and esophagus?

Describe how competence is evaluated. (Limit 400 words)

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How do graduating residents demonstrate competence in surgical (including peri-operative) and non-surgical management and treatment of conditions affecting the head and neck, including the following?

1. Aerodigestive foreign body obstruction
2. Allergic and immunologic disorders
3. Chemoreceptive disorders
4. Communicative and swallowing disorders
5. Disorders related to the geriatric population
6. Endocrine disorders related to the thyroid and parathyroid
7. Facial plastic and reconstructive disorders
8. Idiopathic disorders
9. Infectious and inflammatory disorders
10. Metabolic disorders
11. Neoplastic disorders
12. Neurological disorders related to the head and neck
13. Pain
14. Pediatric and congenital disorders
15. Sleep disorders
16. Traumatic disorders
17. Vascular disorders
18. Vestibular and hearing disorders

Provide examples of how competence is assessed in nine of the 18 disorders listed.(Limit 900 words)

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How do graduating residents demonstrate competence in all surgical care in the following major categories?

1. Bronchoesophagology
2. Facial plastic and reconstructive surgery of the head and neck
3. General otolaryngology
4. Head and neck oncologic surgery
5. Laryngology
6. Otology and neurotology
7. Pediatric otolaryngology
8. Rhinology

Provide examples of how competence is assessed in five of the eight categories listed. (Limit 500 words)

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How do graduating residents demonstrate competence in performing otolaryngology procedures, including the following?

1. Airway management
2. Computer-assisted navigation
3. Endoscopy of upper aerodigestive tract, including rhinoscopy, laryngoscopy, esophagoscopy, and bronchoscopy
4. Laser usage
5. Local and regional anesthesia
6. Resuscitation
7. Stroboscopy
8. Universal precautions

Provide examples of how competence is assessed in four of the eight categories listed. (Limit 400 words)

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**Medical Knowledge**

How do graduating residents demonstrate knowledge of established and evolving biomedical, clinical, epidemiological, and social-behavioral sciences, as well as the application of this knowledge to patient care?

Describe how knowledge is evaluated. (Limit 400 words)

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How do graduating residents demonstrate knowledge of the basic medical sciences relevant to following areas?

1. Facial plastic and reconstructive surgery
2. Head and neck surgery
3. Immunology and allergy
4. Laryngology and communication disorders
5. Neurotology as it pertains to primary otolaryngology
6. Otology and audiology
7. Pediatric otolaryngology
8. Rhinology and chemical senses
9. Sleep medicine

Provide examples of how knowledge is assessed in five of the nine areas listed. (Limit 500 words)

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How do graduating residents demonstrate knowledge of the following?

Audiologic disorders

Rehabilitation of speech

Swallowing disorders

Vestibular disorders

Provide examples of how knowledge is assessed in two of the three areas listed.

(Limit 250 words)

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How do graduating residents demonstrate knowledge of endocrinology and neurology as they relate to the head and neck area?

Describe how knowledge is evaluated. (Limit 300 words)

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**Practice-based Learning and Improvement**

1. How do graduating residents demonstrate their ability to investigate and evaluate their care of patients, to appraise and assimilate scientific evidence, and to continuously improve patient care based on constant self-evaluation and lifelong learning?

Describe how these skills are evaluated (limit 300 words).

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1. How do graduating residents demonstrate they have developed skills and habits to be able to meet the following goals?
2. Identify strengths, deficiencies, and limits in one’s knowledge and expertise
3. Identify and perform appropriate learning activities
4. Incorporate formative evaluation feedback into daily practice
5. Locate, appraise, and assimilate evidence from scientific studies related to their patients’ health problems
6. Participate in the education of patients, patients’ families, students, other residents, and other health professionals
7. Set learning and improvement goals
8. Systematically analyze clinical practice using quality improvement methods, and implement changes with the goal of practice improvement
9. Use information technology to optimize learning

Provide examples of how skill is assessed in five of the eight areas listed. (Limit 500 words)

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**Interpersonal and Communication Skills**

How do graduating residents demonstrate interpersonal and communication skills that result in the effective exchange of information and collaboration with patients, their families, and other health professionals?

Describe how these skills are evaluated. (Limit 300 words)

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How do graduating residents demonstrate their ability to:

communicate effectively with patients, patients’ families, and the public, as appropriate, across a broad range of socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds;

communicate effectively with physicians, other health professionals, and health-related agencies;

work effectively as a member or leader of a health care team or other professional group;

act in a consultative role to other physicians and health professionals; and,

maintain comprehensive, timely, and legible medical records, if applicable?

Provide examples of how skill is assessed in three of the five areas listed. (Limit 300 words)

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**Systems-based Practice**

1. How do graduating residents demonstrate an awareness of and responsiveness to the larger context and system of health care, as well as the ability to call effectively on other resources in the system to provide optimal health care?

Describe how these skills are evaluated. (Limit 300 words)

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1. How do graduating residents demonstrate their ability to:

a. work effectively in various health care delivery settings and systems relevant to their clinical specialty;

b. coordinate patient care within the health care system relevant to their clinical specialty;

c. incorporate considerations of cost awareness and risk-benefit analysis in patient and/or population-based care as appropriate;

d. advocate for quality patient care and optimal patient care systems;

e. work in interprofessional teams to enhance patient safety and improve patient care quality; and,

f. participate in identifying system errors and implementing potential systems solutions?

Provide examples of how skill is assessed in four of the six areas listed. (Limit 400 words)

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**Regularly Scheduled Educational Activities**

Complete Appendix A., Formal Didactic Sessions by Academic Year, and attach to submission.

Do didactic sessions include cyclical presentation of core specialty knowledge supplemented by the addition of current information? [ ] YES [ ] NO

Do residents learn in a variety of educational settings, including the following?

* 1. Bedside [ ] YES [ ] NO
	2. Classroom [ ] YES [ ] NO
	3. Clinic [ ] YES [ ] NO
	4. Laboratory [ ] YES [ ] NO
	5. Operating room [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses to Questions 2 and 3 above. (Limit 250 words)

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Do faculty members participate in didactic sessions? [ ] YES [ ] NO

Is didactic education evaluated? [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses to Questions 4-6 above. (Limit 250 words)

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Indicate how didactic content is integrated into the overall educational program. (Limit 400 words)

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Are the following topics covered during regularly scheduled didactic sessions?

* + - * 1. Audiology as it relates to laryngology [ ] YES [ ] NO
				2. Basic science as relevant to head and neck [ ] YES [ ] NO
				3. Basic science as relevant to the upper-aero digestive system [ ] YES [ ] NO
				4. Biochemistry [ ] YES [ ] NO
				5. Cell biology [ ] YES [ ] NO
				6. Chemical senses as it relates to the head and neck [ ] YES [ ] NO
				7. Embryology [ ] YES [ ] NO
				8. Endocrinology as it relates to the head and neck [ ] YES [ ] NO
				9. Genetics [ ] YES [ ] NO
				10. Immunology [ ] YES [ ] NO
				11. Microbiology [ ] YES [ ] NO
				12. Neurology as it relates to the head and neck [ ] YES [ ] NO
				13. Pharmacology [ ] YES [ ] NO
				14. Physiology [ ] YES [ ] NO
				15. Speech-language pathology and the voice sciences as it relates to laryngology [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses. (Limit 250 words)

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Do regularly scheduled anatomy sessions include dissection of cadaver anatomic specimens, including the temporal bone? [ ] YES [ ] NO

Do regularly scheduled pathology sessions include the following?

Discussion of the pathology service tissues removed at operations and autopsy [ ] YES [ ] NO

Gross pathology related to the head and neck [ ] YES [ ] NO

Microscopic pathology related to the head and neck [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses to Questions 9 and 10 above. (Limit 250 words)

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**Clinical Experiences**

Is the program director responsible for the design, implementation, and oversight of the PGY-1?

 [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain if ‘NO.’ (Limit 250 words)

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Does the PGY-1 include at least five months of structured education, including the following?

General surgery [ ] YES [ ] NO

Pediatric surgery [ ] YES [ ] NO

Plastic surgery [ ] YES [ ] NO

Surgical oncology [ ] YES [ ] NO

Thoracic surgery [ ] YES [ ] NO

Transplant surgery [ ] YES [ ] NO

Vascular surgery [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain if ‘NO’ to more than three of the areas in this list. (Limit 250 words)

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Does the PGY-1 include at least four months of clinical education in the following?

* + - * 1. Anesthesiology [ ] YES [ ] NO
				2. Critical care [ ] YES [ ] NO
				3. Emergency medicine [ ] YES [ ] NO
				4. Neurological surgery [ ] YES [ ] NO

Are each of the above experiences one month in length? [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses to Questions 3 and 4 above. (Limit 250 words)

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How does the curriculum include progressive education in otolaryngology and clinical services during PGY-2-5? (Limit 400 words)

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Are there at least 36 months of rotations on otolaryngology-head and neck surgery and clinical services? [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain if ‘NO.’ (Limit 250 words)

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If ‘YES’ to Question 6, do these rotations include experiences in the following?

Allergy and immunology [ ] YES [ ] NO

Audiology and vestibular assessment [ ] YES [ ] NO

Neuroradiology [ ] YES [ ] NO

Oral and maxillofacial surgery [ ] YES [ ] NO

Pulmonary medicine [ ] YES [ ] NO

Radiation oncology [ ] YES [ ] NO

Speech pathology and rehabilitation [ ] YES [ ] NO

Surgical pathology of the head and neck [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses. (Limit 250 words)

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Do residents:

interact directly with patients? [ ] YES [ ] NO

establish provisional diagnoses? [ ] YES [ ] NO

initiate preliminary treatment plans? [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses. (Limit 300 words)

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Do residents provide follow-up care so that results of surgical care can be evaluated by the responsible resident? [ ] YES [ ] NO

If ‘YES,’ are these activities carried out under the supervision of appropriate faculty members?

 [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses. (Limit 250 words)

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Do residents work in a well-organized and well-supervised outpatient service? [ ] YES [ ] NO

If ‘YES,’ does this service operate in relation to an inpatient service used in the program?

 [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses. (Limit 250 words)

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Do residents have experience in the emergency care of critically ill and injured patients with otolaryngology-head and neck conditions? [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain if ‘NO.’ (Limit 250 words)

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Do residents have essentially equivalent distribution of case categories and procedures as their colleagues at the same level of education? [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain if ‘NO.’ (Limit 250 words)

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Do residents experience direct and progressively responsible patient management? [ ] YES [ ] NO

If ‘YES’ to Question 13, does the experience include surgical experience as assistant to the surgeon? [ ] YES [ ] NO

Is the chief resident’s final year of education spent at sites approved as part of the program?

 [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses to Questions 13-15. (Limit 250 words)

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How does the program ensure each resident has an adequate number, distribution, and sufficient complexity of cases within the principal surgical procedural categories of the specialty? (Limit 400 words)

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Does the experiential educational program include clinical aspects of the following?

1. Deformities [ ] YES [ ] NO
2. Diagnosis [ ] YES [ ] NO
3. Disorders of the ear [ ] YES [ ] NO
4. Facial plastic and reconstructive surgery [ ] YES [ ] NO
5. Head and neck oncology [ ] YES [ ] NO
6. Injury of the ear [ ] YES [ ] NO
7. Medical therapy [ ] YES [ ] NO
8. Neoplasms [ ] YES [ ] NO
9. Other head and neck systems [ ] YES [ ] NO
10. Prevention of diseases [ ] YES [ ] NO
11. Rehabilitation from disease [ ] YES [ ] NO
12. Surgical therapy [ ] YES [ ] NO
13. The face [ ] YES [ ] NO
14. The jaws [ ] YES [ ] NO
15. Upper alimentary system [ ] YES [ ] NO
16. Upper respiratory system [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses. (Limit 350 words)

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Do residents have experience with otolaryngologic disorders, including the following?

1. Evaluating the patient before participating in surgery [ ] YES [ ] NO
2. Intra-operative care of patients [ ] YES [ ] NO
3. Non-operative management [ ] YES [ ] NO
4. Post-operative care of patients. [ ] YES [ ] NO
5. Pre-operative care of patients [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses. (Limit 350 words)

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Are residents provided experiences in:

1. management of office practice [ ] YES [ ] NO
2. procedures of office practice [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses (limit 250 words).

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Do residents participate in patient care in a private office? [ ] YES [ ] NO

If ‘YES,’ do residents:

1. function with an appropriate degree of responsibility under adequate supervision? [ ] YES [ ] NO
2. participate in pre-operative care? [ ] YES [ ] NO
3. participate in post-operative care? [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses. (Limit 350 words)

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Describe the experiences residents have with state-of-the-art advanced and emerging technology in otolaryngology and head-and-neck surgery. (Limit 250 words)

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Do residents have opportunities to perform techniques and procedures involving the following?

1. Auditory measures such as hearing aids and implantable devices [ ] YES [ ] NO
2. Balance [ ] YES [ ] NO
3. Chemoreception [ ] YES [ ] NO
4. Deglutition [ ] YES [ ] NO
5. Habilitation [ ] YES [ ] NO
6. Rehabilitation [ ] YES [ ] NO
7. Respiration [ ] YES [ ] NO
8. Speech [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses. (Limit 350 words)

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**Scholarly Activity**

Does the educational program provide a structured research experience for residents? [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain if ‘NO.’ (Limit 250 words)

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If ‘YES’ to Question 1, is the experience sufficient to result in an understanding of basic principles of the following?

1. Study design [ ] YES [ ] NO
2. Research performance [ ] YES [ ] NO
3. Research analysis [ ] YES [ ] NO
4. Research reporting [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses. (Limit 250 words)

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Does the research experience reflect careful advice by and planning with faculty members?

 [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain if ‘NO.’ (Limit 250 words)

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Does the program provide the following?

Facilities for research [ ] YES [ ] NO

Protected time for research [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain any ‘NO’ responses. (Limit 250 words)

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**The Learning and Working Environment**

**Clinical Experience and Education**

Are residents permitted to assist in surgery during the six hours following 24 hours of continuous duty? [ ] YES [ ] NO

Explain if ‘NO.’ (Limit 250 words)

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**Appendix A. Formal Didactic Sessions by Academic Year**

For each year of the residency, attach (Label: Appendix A.) a list of all scheduled didactic courses (including discussion groups, seminars and conferences, grand rounds, basic science, skills labs, and journal club) at all participating sites to whichresidents roate using the format below. If attended by residents from multiple years, list in each year but provide a full description *only the first time a site is listed*.

Number sessions **consecutively** from the first year through the final year so that the scheduled didactic sessions can be easily referenced throughout the application. **Be brief and use the outline that follows.**

Year in the program:

Number: Title:

a) Type of Format (e.g., seminar, conference, discussion groups)

b) Required or elective

c) Brief description (three or four sentences)

d) Frequency, length of session, and total number of sessions

**Example:**

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| Y-101. Introduction to Otolaryngologya) Seminarb) Required Y-1c) Survey of contemporary methods and styles of otolaryngology, including approaches to clinical work with minority populations.d) Weekly, for 8 sessions.02. Departmental Grand Roundsa) Discussion groupsb) Required, Y-1, Y-2, Y-3; Elective Y-4c) Clinical case presentations, sponsored by each departmental division, followed by discussion and review of contemporary state of knowledge. Format includes resident presentations and discussions with additional faculty discussant.d) Twice monthly, 24 sessions |

If resident attendance is monitored, explain how this is accomplished and how feedback is given regarding non-attendance. (Limit 250 words)

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