TRAINING REPORT

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Acknowledgement

I would like to take the opportunity to acknowledge Dr Patrick E. LEBLANC for this wonderful experience. It was extremely rewarding. In addition to sharpening my knowledges, working with patients in a new approach, and maturing professionally, I thoroughly enjoyed working with such a great team of people. It was a pleasure to watch and learn from my fellow colleagues.

Our meetings were very helpful and provided me with insightful constructive criticism of my work.
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I spent two months and one week at Brooklyn hospital center in the United States of America, I started from 07/10/2016 to 09/17/2016 for an internship resident in Obstetric and gynecology. This was about to be my first internship in a foreign country. I wanted to take advantage of the opportunity that was offered by the hospital universitaire justinien where I worked as a senior resident in OBGYNE. I wanted to discover that new medical system, a different way to make the management of patients and to exercise medicine and at the same occasion visiting New York, his great buildings, and appreciating all the cultures that were present.

Thus I have decided to come to New York for the training, a city that I do not know a lot.

The hospital was founded in May 1845 as "Brooklyn City Hospital", following a public meeting convened by Mayor Smith of what was then Brooklyn City. Public fund collection meetings were arranged to financially sustain the hospital. Patient admission started in 1847. Soon the hospital started developing and growing, and by the start of the twentieth century it had several buildings for providing services to the burgeoning population. In 1883, the name was changed from Brooklyn City Hospital to The Brooklyn Hospital. There were a lot of services like: Dental Care & Oral/Maxillofacial, Surgery, Emergency, Medicine, Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Psychiatry Radiology and OB/GYN: Gynecologic Oncology, Reproductive Genetics, Labor and Delivery.

My training was about to take place in OB/GYN. As I never did any rotation in a foreign country so I was happy to see how they practice OB/GYN in the United States of America, deemed to country for good doctors in obstetric in gynecology.

My training took place only in Brooklyn hospital center. The service works like ours in Haiti. The chairman was Dr. Michael Cabbad, MD. There were many attending physician and residents. The OBGYN residency is 4 years training programs. There are 16 resident positions, four in each year of a four-year training program. Every Thursday they have a Grand Rounds lectures.

We always start our day with the morning report, we start at 7, we used to start before that whenever the chairman arrives we start. I usually saw, the chairman, a few attending and all the residents, a few students and nurses.

After the report, we went to eat and than we started our journey. I liked staying in triage, because this is the best place to learn in obstetric. I find a few students, we discussed some cases together. Sometimes I could find a resident to discuss with. We saw patients together, I did like their approach that was very professional. Every two weeks I had presentations, that was the best part of the rotation. This is the place I felt that we really shared our experiences.

I was supposed to fight to get myself integrated to the medical team. I was very aggressive to learn. I wish that I could have a tutor.
I had the chance to go to the operating rooms a few times for cesarean section. I learned there too. I was impressed by the operating room each time. And finally I went to the ultrasound and this is where I was about to find a tutor to help me. I was so happy to work there. That was the best place of my rotation. I learned a lot there. I wish that I could stayed much longer there.

I found some difficulties during my rotation, it was because I did not have a tutor. In spite of all I learned enough to bring something new to the Haitian medical system. That experience will always be in my mind.

It was an observatory rotation. here is the list of what I assisted and did during my rotation

Lectures assisted
- Two vessel cords
- Abortion
- Hydronephrosis
- Molar pregnancy
- Fetal distress
- Mitral valve regurgitation
- Erythroblastosis fetalis
- Magnesium sulfate
- Use of corticoids in premature rupture of membrane
- Preterm labor
- Endometritis
- Cervical length
- Mitral valve regurgitation
- Biliary atresia
- Wilms’ tumor

Cesarean section assisted: 5

My lecturers
- Endometriosis
- Post partum hemorrhage
- Ectopic pregnancy
- Cervical cancer

This training was a wonderful experience for me. I have learned a lot. This rotation helped me to have a different approach of our patients, it helped me to understand how important is not only the physical exam but also the laboratory test. They are supposed to be together for a better diagnosis and better management.