



Pediatric Direct Observation Tool

- The Pediatric Direct Observation Tool has been developed to facilitate coaching and generate feedback when residents are being directly observed. (It is replacing the Mini-MAS and several other previous tools.)
- It is intended to be easy to use for both residents and preceptors and to collect feedback on observed clinical encounters.
- The Pediatric Direct Observation Tool has been developed as a Google form that may be filled out on a cell phone, computer, or tablet. The form will also collate data from observations in a way that is simple to review for residents, their academic coaches, and the program directors.
 - Tip: Consider asking your evaluator to fill it out in real time as this takes no more than a few minutes and will encourage real time coaching.
 - Tip: Consider adding this to your calendar during a rotation as a weekly reminder.
- Each resident will receive a link to their individual Google form that they may send by email to their preceptor following the encounter.
 - Tip: To make things easier, copy and paste your google form link to your bookmark folder.
- The Pediatric Direct Observation Tool may be used to collect information on any observed clinical encounter. This includes any of the following:
 - History taking
 - Physical examination
 - Case presentation
 - Counselling or communication
 - Teaching
 - Collaboration with other health professionals
 - Handover
 - Procedure
 - Other
- It will also replace the procedure log by allowing you to fill out an observation for yourself.
- We recommend aiming for the tool to be completed after an observed encounter at least once each week, which would result in approximately 50 evaluations per year, and to try to elicit feedback on each of the different types of encounters listed above.