

Entrustable Professional Activities (EPAs)

List of EPAs for Paediatric Gastroenterology

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EPA 1: Managing children with acute and chronic gastrointestinal (GI) disorders	Level 4
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Entrustment Scale

Entrustment Level	Description
1	Not allowed to practise EPA, allowed to observe.
2	Allowed to practise EPA only under proactive, full supervision.
3	Allowed to practise EPA only under reactive/on-demand supervision.
4	Allowed to practise EPA unsupervised.
5	Allowed to supervise others in practice of EPA independently.

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Title	Managing children with acute and chronic gastrointestinal (GI) disorders
Specification and limitations	1. Diagnosing children with gastrointestinal conditions diseases (including congenital disorders, GI infections, intestinal failure, mucosal diseases of the GI tract, and inflammatory bowel disease). 2. Managing children with these conditions in the outpatient and in-patient settings (including intensive and critical care). 3. Facilitating transition of care of children with chronic GI conditions to adult health care services.
	Limitations: Age 0-21 years Excludes surgical management of these GI conditions
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Title	Managing children with liver, biliary and pancreatic disease
Specification and limitations	1. Diagnosing children with liver, biliary and pancreatic diseases (including congenital, genetic, metabolic, and acquired diseases). 2. Managing children with these conditions in the outpatient and in-patient settings (including intensive and critical care). 3. Providing consultation to other specialties (including oncology, neonatology, and surgery).
	Limitations: Refers only to Paediatric age group (0-21 years) Would not be expected to be the primary physician caring for children with predominantly surgical conditions (e.g., liver trauma) or hepatic malignancies (hepatoblastoma or HCC) Liver transplantation is covered under a separate EPA
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Title	Managing children requiring liver transplantation
Specification and limitations	1. Diagnosing and recognizing children in need of liver transplantation. 2. Managing children before, during and after transplantation including psycho-social management of the child and family. 3. Ordering tests to evaluate the liver transplant recipient (e.g., laboratory testing, imaging, liver biopsy). 4. Educating patients and caregivers about liver transplantation. 5. Working with the relevant inter-disciplinary teams in the care of these children including transition to adult services.
	Limitations: Refers only to Paediatric age group (0-21 years) Does not include surgical management of the patient
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Title	Managing children with nutritional issues using enteral and parenteral nutrition support
Specification and limitations	1. Performing a complete nutritional assessment that includes dietary history, relevant medical history, anthropometrics, and relevant laboratory investigations, in the well child and in the child with chronic medical conditions. 2. Prescribing both enteral and parenteral nutrition support. 3. Discussing management plans for nutritional intervention with patients and caregivers. 4. Recognising which child would require referral to an interdisciplinary feeding team, and how to work with such an interdisciplinary team.
	Limitations: Refers only to Paediatric age group (0-21 years) Would not be expected to be the primary physician managing nutritional intervention for children with Inborn errors of metabolism
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Title	Performing endoscopy in children
Specification and limitations	1. Communicating indications for endoscopy to patients and caregivers, ensuring understanding before obtaining informed consent. 2. Preparing patients for endoscopy and appropriate communication and/or referrals with the interdisciplinary team to ensure support for and safety of procedure. 3. Performing endoscopy of the upper gastrointestinal tract and lower intestinal tract for diagnostic and therapeutic purposes. Selecting appropriate endoscopic equipment for the procedure, and basic understanding of cleaning, maintaining, and storing equipment. 4. Identifying abnormal endoscopic findings and determine clinical relevance of findings. 5. Formulating management plans according to findings of endoscopy. 6. Recognizing complications related to endoscopy and sedation, and initiate management.
	Limitations: Age 0-18 years
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