

## FRCS Mini Prep Course on Spine Disorder- Syllabus 2015

### **Course Name:**

FRCS Mini Prep Course on Spine Disorder

### **Time & Location:**

March 9th at 6pm to 9pm at the U of T Faculty Club, 41 Willcocks Street, Toronto, Ontario, M5S 1C7

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### **Teaching Fellows/ Team:**

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### **Course Description**

A revision course in spinal surgery for neurosurgical and orthopaedic Senior Residents who are studying for their final FRCS exam. The course comprises of three rounds of case reviews, brief case vignette in Royal College format, case solution, and case discussion assigned to each resident. The course will help prepare trainees for the FRCS exam.

### **Learning Outcomes**

1. Review the approach to managing a broad variety of spine conditions using case based discussion.
2. Provide practice in handling case discussions in a Royal College examination format.
3. Discuss areas of controversy and uncertainty in the management of spine conditions through an interactive format

### **Topics covered**

- General aims - Review key points on the history, physical, investigations and non/surgical management of a wide range of spinal pathologies.
- Tips and techniques for passing fellowship exam.
- Trauma - occipito-cervical, axial and subaxial c-spine, thoraco-lumbar Neoplastic - intra and extra-medullary primary and metastatic Degenerative - cervical, lumbar and thoracic Infection Iatrogenic - Complications and their management in spinal disorders