

Upper Respiratory Infections Including Strep Throat

The resident will be able to apply in the office and/ or outpatient setting:

- 1. Identify the historical and physical characteristics of both viral and bacterial infection in patients presenting with upper respiratory symptoms
- 2. List "red flag" symptoms/ signs suggestive of more serious infections (e.g. Epiglottitis, retropharyngeal abscess)
- 3. Develop a differential diagnosis
- 4. Use appropriate laboratory data, including; hematology, microbiology, serology and radiology
- 5. Appropriately manage and be able to list the benefit or lack thereof when considering a variety of approaches (wait and watch, symptomatic, over-the-counter drugs, use of antibiotics, empiric vs. delayed/definitive

Feedback and suggested modifications for these objectives are encouraged after each session. Please direct your comments to your site Curriculum Coordinator.