

Non-trauma Hand — Medical Knowledge				
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understands the pathophysiology of non-traumatic hand disease (e.g., infection, degenerative change, compression neuropathy) Understands anatomy, biomechanics, and embryology of the hand and upper extremity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understands treatments for infection, degenerative change, compression neuropathy Understands concepts of pharmacologic management, injections, incision, and drainage Understands principles of local and regional upper extremity anesthesia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understands treatments for metabolic and contracture processes Understands surgical principles of routine procedures (e.g., nerve releases, fusions, tumor and ganglion excisions, and contracture releases) Understands principles of post-operative hand therapy regimens 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understands treatments for autoimmune and congenital anomalies Understands surgical principles for complex procedures (e.g., tendon transfers, arthroplasties and ligament reconstructions, syndactyly release) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understands anatomy and surgical principles for complex procedures (e.g., rheumatoid hand reconstruction, nerve transfers, thumb reconstructions, congenital hand reconstructions)
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Non-trauma Hand — Patient Care				
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performs history and physical examination of patients with non-traumatic hand disorders • Assists with procedures (e.g., skin incisions, abscess drainage, skin closures, and injections) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explains risks and benefits of non-trauma and congenital hand reconstruction procedures and obtains consent. Interprets imaging and electrodiagnostic studies • Performs routine procedures (e.g., nerve decompression, ganglion, tumor excision) with assistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formulates a treatment plan, with assistance, for routine hand conditions (e.g., infections, degenerative arthritis, ganglion, tumors, nerve compressions, and Dupuytren’s contracture) • Independently performs routine procedures; performs complex procedure (e.g., arthroplasty, contracture release, syndactyly reconstruction tendon transfers) with assistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independently formulates a treatment plan, including for patients with comorbidities, and complex conditions (e.g., previous hand surgeries, complex syndactyly) • Independently performs complex procedures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formulates a treatment plan for rheumatoid deformities and complex congenital hand anomalies • Performs implant arthroplasty, pollicizations, and toe-to-hand transfers • Helps manage an interdisciplinary hand surgery team
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