General Cardiology Consults

The Vanderbilt Cardiology consultation service provides comprehensive inpatient cardiovascular consultations for patients hospitalized at Vanderbilt University Medical Center on non-cardiac services. This rotation provides an opportunity for fellows to develop consultant skills in recommending appropriate management, diagnostic testing, and preoperative risk assessment of patients with known or suspected cardiac conditions.

The service is provided daily from 7am to 5pm for patients with all general cardiovascular issues recognizing that there are separate consultation services for arrhythmia, advanced heart failure, and adult congenital medicine. Daily activities require participation in daily teaching rounds, making management decisions, independent interpretation of diagnostic testing, prompt communication with the referring physicians, and teaching to the house staff assigned to this rotation.