Obstetrics Template – Candidate instructions

You have been asked to see Elizabeth Vision, who is 34 weeks pregnant. She is attending the antenatal clinic because swelling in her leg.

You have 10 minutes for this station and have been asked to:

- Take a history/discuss results/discuss procedure/counsel patient (5 minutes)
- Perform an obstetrics examination and briefly explain your findings to the patient (5 minutes)

Obstetrics Template – Patient instructions

Gestation - gravidity: 2 Parity: 1

Presenting complaint: My left leg has been swollen for the last 3 days or so.

History of presenting complaint: It is also painful

S – left leg

I - 6/10

Q – like an achy pain

T - last 2 days

A – Not really

R - Tried paracetamol but didn't help

s-swelling 3 days ago, no rash or itchy, didn't hit leg

Other relevant symptoms: Deny all symptoms of pre-eclampsia or other symptoms

Obstetrics history:

All scans have been normal
Did all the screening and was normal
This is my second pregnancy
Had immunisations
No problems in current or previous pregnancy – normal delivery

Gynaecological history:

Attend all smear and normal No STIs

ICE: Just concerned something is wrong? Will this harm the baby?

PMH: Have some sort of clotting disease—called anti-something syndrome

DHx: No not taking any but was taking aspirin but stopped as didn't see the point or understand why

FHx: Mum had some problems with me during her pregnancy but cant remember what

SHx: No smoking or drinking

Systems review: Otherwise fine

Other relevant history or instructions for actor: No

Questions for candidate during examination:

What is the diagnosis? DVT

What is the management? LMWH and Aspirin

Please explain examination finding and management to patient

Obstetrics Template – Examiner Marksheet

Introduces themselves and confirms patient details	
Confirms gestational age, gravidity and parity	
Open questions and then narrows down	
History of presenting complaint	
Screens for key obstetric symptoms	
Does a relevant obstetrics history	
Does a relevant gynaecological history	
Address ICE	
Asks about PMH	
Asks about DHx	
Asks about FHx, SHx and other history if relevant	
Systems Review	
Shows empathy	
Active listening	
Summaries and clarifies	

Consents patient appropriately for examination	
Builds rapport and puts patient at ease	
Washes and PPE	
General inspection	
Ask patient about pain or discomfort before starting	
Palpates borders of uterus correctly	

Measures symphysial-fundal height	
Correctly identifies fetal lie, presentation and engagement	
Listens to fetal heartbeat in correct location and offers to count for 60 seconds	
Explains result of finding to patient	
Answers any of patients questions	