SA Emergency Medicine

Drs. Bach, Converse, Mitropoulo, Racette, Walker, et al.





Goals:

- Exposure to ER & Critical Care Medicine
- Triage processes
- Recognize unstable patients & initiate stabilization plan!
- Procedures:
 - Fluid plans, boluses
 - Supplemental O₂
 - AFAST & TFAST scans
 - -centesis
 - Feeding tubes
 - BP, EKG, SPO₂
 - Transfusion
 - Etcetera, etcetera, etcetera.....
- Gain Confidence!







Students' Schedule

- Nine shifts over two weeks
 - Four day shifts: 7 am to ~5 pm
 - Four swing shifts: noon to ~10pm
 - On call after 10pm, called in at discretion of overnight ER doctor (rare)
 - One 'late' swing shift: 4 pm to ~2 am
 - When extraordinarily long shifts occur, faculty can adjust the schedule
 - NO trading!
 - Students emailed ~ one week prior to start of rotation
- Lab experience on the 1st Wed each block
- Encouraged to join Dr case rounds, when possible
 - 7:00 am & 5pm or 7pm



Responsibilities:

Receiving

ER

Only When 7a-5p shift:

- Write treatment sheets (arrive ~6 am)
- 8 am treatments
- Soaps
- Client updates

± ongoing paperwork

ER Dr	Recv Svc	Recv Dr 11	Diagnosis	ti Dat	te
Lathroum	ССМ	Lathroum	k9: seizure. NCPE	12/	02
Lathroum	ССМ	Lathroum	k9: trauma (buck altercation)	12/	02
Thaliath	Neurology	any	k9: non-ambulatory paraparetic	12/	02
MaGee	Oncology	MaGee	K9: PHT +/- PTE, lymphoma; Lath(CCM to comanage)	12/	02
Lemburg	Oncology	Any	K9: lethargic. hx splenic sarcoma	12/	02
Thaliath	SAIM	any	k9: abdominal effusion	12/	02
Lemburg	SAIM	Any	K9: AKI: splenic mass: seizures: etc	12/	02
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Alessandrino	SAIM	Any	K9: bicytopenia	12/	02
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- Aim to see 3-5 new ER cases/shift
 - Proactively "sign up" for case
- Preview any available information
- Triage, PE, obtain Hx, create PL with DDx and a Plan
 - Present case to DVM
 - Implement Plans!
- Keep tabs on pending labs, imaging, consults, and potential procedures
- Start Paperwork
- Client Communication
- ER Calls

Odds & Ends:

- Cozy, sometimes chaotic
- Questions are welcome & good!
- Interns & Residents
- Grading is standard....
- Students: 2-4/rotation
- Summer tends to be busiest
- We tend to book full in the spring
- Canvas page



Suggested Preparation:





Read up

- Notes, Text, Literature
- Expect some chaos
 - Aim to be an active engager!
- Ready to work hard
- Arrive w/ 1-2 goals & communicate them!



Questions re ER?

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