Huntington Hospital

Emergency Medicine

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Introduction: The resident will be assigned to the Emergency Department in order to gain experience and knowledge in the care of patients presenting to the emergency department at Huntington Hospital. The resident will be assigned cases as per the supervising emergency medicine faculty. They will also gain knowledge and experience in airway management and advanced vascular access during their rotation with the anesthesia, radiology and critical care services.

Content Goals and Objectives

1. Develop initial evaluation and treatment plan for patients with suspected infection
2. Develop initial evaluation and treatment plan for patients with chest pain
3. Develop initial evaluation and treatment plan for patients with shortness of breath
4. Develop initial evaluation and treatment plan for patients with altered level of consciousness
5. Develop initial evaluation and treatment plan for patients with abdominal pain
6. Develop initial evaluation and treatment plan for patients with syncope
7. Obtain a detailed (appropriate-to-chief complaint / findings) history and physical exam in a time expedient manner
8. Present history and physician exam with pertinent positives and negatives to attending ED physician
9. Manage multiple patients simultaneously
10. Triage patients to proper level of care
11. Communicate effectively with consultants

Process-Based Goals and Objectives

1. Role model effective communication skills in challenging situations
2. Recognize the scope of his/her abilities and ask for supervision and assistance
3. Modify the differential diagnosis and care plan based on clinical course and data as appropriate
4. Choose the appropriate consultative services for a given clinical condition
5. Minimize unnecessary care including tests
6. Integrate clinical evidence into decision making
7. Use feedback to improve performance

8. Stabilize patients with urgent or emergent medical conditions and transfer to higher level of care when necessary
9. Demonstrate empathy, compassion and a commitment to relieve pain and suffering.

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