

EMERGENCY MEDICINE CLERKSHIP YEAR 4

Clerkship Directors: David A. Wald, DO

Clerkship Duration: 4 weeks

Medical students will achieve the following competencies:

- Obtain a medical history and perform a physical examination for each patient in a respectful manner that facilitates rapport with the patient
- Present accurate and succinct case presentations and document the information in a medical record when appropriate
- Develop and assist with implementation of management plans including monitoring patients for response to therapy and following up on diagnostic studies
- Command a fund of medical knowledge and a basic understanding of the pathophysiologic principles of disease and apply knowledge in an appropriate manner
- Interpret commonly performed diagnostic studies
- Demonstrate an understanding of the indications, contraindications, equipment required, and technique for commonly performed procedures
- Demonstrate effective use of information technology including medical record retrieval systems and other educational resources
- Communicate with consultant physicians and admission teams in a clear, concise manner

Students will participate in the care of undifferentiated patients presenting to the emergency department. Patient care will be provided under the direct supervision of an attending physician. Students will be expected to obtain a complaint directed (focused) history and perform a physical examination, formulate an appropriate differential diagnosis and assessment, discuss the case with their supervising physician, and assist in the development and implementation of case specific patient management plans including proper follow up and patient disposition as outlined above in the section on clerkship competencies.