

EMERGENCY MEDICINE SELECTIVE ROTATION

Selective Title: Palliative Medicine

Brief Description: This is a rotation with the Palliative Medicine team, who sees patients Monday through Friday in collaboration with social work, case management, spiritual care, and hospice. The Palliative Medicine Team is a specialty service focused on improving quality of life for patients with serious illness through symptom management, support of psychosocial issues, and supporting patients and families as they make difficult decisions about their medical treatments.

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Educational or Clinical Site: ☒ BUMC – Tucson Campus ☐ BUMC – South Campus

Durations available: ☒ 1 weeks ☒ 2 weeks

Educational Objectives:

1. Establish rapport with patients and families using patient-centric communication.
2. Engage patients and families in shared decision making.
3. Demonstrate knowledge of how to run family meetings and discuss goals of care.
4. Demonstrate how to determine medical decision-making capacity.
5. Demonstrate empathy and compassion by acknowledging and exploring patient emotions and be able to utilize silence effectively.
6. Know the eligibility requirements, covered services, reimbursement, and physicians' role for the Medicare Hospice Benefit.
7. Know state laws concerning surrogate decision makers, MPOA, and pre-hospital medical directives.

Resident Responsibilities:

1. Please email both Dr. Klein and Mary Ribotto to inquire about selective availability.
2. Complete the pre-test provided prior to Monday arrival on service and bring with you.
3. Attend daily IDT meeting at 8:30 AM on 7th floor conference room.
4. Review clinical information on patients already seen and present to team at morning IDT.
5. See patients together with faculty on the team.
6. Place orders, write notes, and communicate with primary team and other services as discussed with faculty.
7. Present one Fast Fact Pearl on Friday IDT.
8. Read core articles during your week which will be provided via email.
9. Utilize equianalgesic guide provided in dosing and rotating opioids.
10. Utilize resources provided to answer clinical questions.

Assessment method for performance of stated objectives:

1. A pre-test will be provided prior to the start of your rotation which will be reviewed during the week but will not be utilized for your grade.