

SEMINARS IN PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Our residents participate in a four-year, class specific curriculum of workshops and didactics designed to enrich their professional development.

2008-09 Course Schedule

PGY-1: Medical Decision Making in Emergency Medicine

This course will use clinical cases to develop the knowledge and skills to efficiently evaluate undifferentiated patients in the Emergency Department. Each session will also incorporate a brief review of clinical research methodology or statistical concepts that resident learners are likely to encounter when reading medical literature. These seminars will introduce the application of medical evidence bedside clinical decision-making.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>
July 2009	Chest Pain
August 2009	Dyspnea
September 2009	Stroke
October 2009	Syncope/Seizure
November 2009	Low Back Pain
December 2009	Wound Care/ Lacerations
January 2010	Abdominal Pain
February 2010	Trauma
March 2010	Fever
April 2010	GI Bleed
May 2010	Headache

PGY-2: Patient Safety & High Risk Error Reduction

This course, supported by the Augusta Webster Fellowship, will establish a foundation for the learner to knowledgeably engage in and lead change to improve patient safety in emergency medicine. Instructors will review the most common types of medical error and use clinical cases to illustrate how high-risk errors can be mitigated in the ED.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>
July 2009	Introduction and Overview of Patient Safety
August 2009	Systems Error: Is the system, or should we all just try harder?
September 2009	Thoughts on Error: Does Hindsight = Foresight?
October 2009	Classic Errors I: Case Reviews
November 2009	Safety and Efficiency
December 2009	Mind Games: An Overview of Cognitive Error
January 2010	Doctors: Team Players or Delusions of Grandeur? – Should there be an 'I' in team?
February 2010	Classic Errors II: Case Reviews
March 2010	Practicing What You Preach: Effective Communication
April 2010	Odds & Ends
May 2010	Leverage: How to Change the World

PGY-3: Physicians as Teachers

This course will introduce resident learners to basic principles of medical education. Throughout their year, residents will gain the knowledge, skills and attitudes to develop lectures and educational programs for any health professions audience.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>
July 2009	Introduction to Educational Theory and the EM Clerkship
August 2009	Feedback
September 2009	Clinical Teaching
October 2009	Curriculum Design
November 2009	Giving a Lecture
December 2009	Leading a Small Group
January 2010	Teaching a Procedure
February 2010	Microskills Workshop
March 2010	Conflict Management/The Difficult Learner
April 2010	Mentoring
May 2010	Individual Project Presentations

PGY-4: Career Transitions Program

This course will prepare senior residents to competitively and professionally search for post-graduate employment. Sessions in the latter part of the year will include discussions of wellness, life-long learning, and the proper assimilation into new administrative roles within a medical staff.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>
July 2009	CV & Cover Letter Workshop
August 2009	What Kind of Job Do You Want? Academics vs. Community Options
September 2009	Applying for Your First Job: The Nuts & Bolts of the Process
October 2009	Interviewing Skills
November 2009	Contract Negotiations
December 2009	Financial Planning
January 2010	Finding Mentorship
February 2010	Lifelong Learning: How to Stay Current in the Literature
March 2010	Wellness, Balance & When to Say No
April 2010	10 Secrets of the Successful Attending
May 2010	Integrating Into a Medical Staff