Queen's University Department of Surgery – Surgical Foundations Rotation Specific Goals and Objectives

Emergency Medicine

The resident is expected to be able to describe the rotation specific objectives prior to or at the commencement of the rotation.

Medical Expert/Clinical Decision Maker

Knowledge: Basic Science and Anatomy

The resident is expected to have a good comprehension of basic and normal physiology as well
as anatomy for the patients that are seen in the Emergency Department with medical and
surgical problems.

Knowledge: General Clinical

- The resident is expected learn how to perform a rapid assessment of the emergency department patient as well as rapid formulation of a management plan
- The resident is expected to have an understanding of the pathophysiology of common medical and surgical diseases that are seen in the Emergency Department.

Knowledge: Specific Clinical Problems

These include myocardial infarction, pulmonary edema, otitis media, bronchitis, eye
emergencies, pharyngitis, pneumonia, acute abdominal pathologies, orthopaedic emergencies,
as well as major and minor soft tissue injuries.

Knowledge: Technical

 The resident is expected to be able to take care of outpatient wounds, drainage of abscess, and procedures related to treatment of traumatic injuries including suturing

Communicator

• The resident will communicate well via written and oral forms to present information to consultants, nurses as well as family physicians

Collaborator

• The resident will communicate with and collaborate in a professional manner nurses, family doctors as well as consultants

Leader

The resident should demonstrate an ability to manage medical problems in the Emergency
Department in an algorithmic fashion and provide timely management of decisions with a
philosophy of cost containment and good standard of care.

Health Advocate

 Residents should participate in the counseling of patients in modifying of lifestyle issues to avoid or modify diseases

Scholar

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• The resident should actively read around patients seen in the Emergency department especially surgically oriented problems

Professional

• The resident should behave in an honest, ethical and professional manner in the Emergency department in dealing with patients as well as health care professionals