

Critical Case Conference

Purpose

To discuss decision-making on the most critically ill patients seen in the ED and to provide a formal academic presentation experience.

Responsibilities

The PA fellow will be assigned to lead critical case once during the 18 month residency. The faculty coordinator will assign cases to faculty and the PA fellow 10-14 days in advance. Cases are selected by the Education Chief or designee.

General Format:

- 1 Two to three cases will be discussed over the 80-minute conference.
- 2 There will be emphasis on specific learning points, identified when the cases are assigned.
- 3 Cases will be discussed starting with goals and ending with a summary.
- 4 Faculty will manage progress/moderate as needed.
- 5 Faculty and resident leader are encouraged to invite guest speakers or consultants as needed.

Resident Role

- 1 Coordinate presentation of cases with faculty
- 2 Present on case and moderate discussion. This includes a summary of pertinent points at the end.
- 3 Determines materials needed for their assigned case. This includes obtaining ECGs, imaging studies and follow-up information.