**Course Description**
The purpose of this course is to expose students to medical problems commonly seen in ambulatory Family Medicine and to offer increased responsibility and involvement consistent with the M-4 level of clinical abilities.

**Course Objectives**
- Diagnose and manage illnesses commonly encountered by family physicians in office and hospital settings
- Interpret basic laboratory, imaging and other diagnostic studies and assess their importance and priority for the patient
- Communicate and work effectively with members of the health care team including physicians, nurses, therapists and social workers
- Communicate effectively with patients and their families, and identify the physical, psychological and social effects that illness has on patients and their families
- Identify and demonstrate special skills in the care of children, the elderly, and disabled as seen in family medicine
- Demonstrate effective use of an EMR
- Describe the basics of medical cost and reimbursement issues
- Describe the role of the family physician in the healthcare system

**Course Activities**
Ambulatory patient care in a family physician’s office: office setting 9 hours daily, and other assignments at the discretion of preceptor. Exposure to common office procedures as available.

**Course Schedule Requirements**
No on-call requirement. Student is present during usual clinical hours (8:00am – 5:00pm, Monday – Friday, excluding holidays as determined by the ECU calendar).

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