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

**Course Objectives**
- Recognize 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, discharge planners and social workers
- Communicate effectively with patients and their families, and identify the physical, psychological and social effects that illness and hospitalization have 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 record keeping
- Describe and discuss the basics of medical cost and reimbursement issues
- Describe and discuss the role of the family physician as an integral part of community affairs
- Perform basic procedures under direct supervision.

**Course Activities**
Ambulatory patient care in a family physician’s office: office setting 8-10 hours daily, inpatient rounds and other assignments at the discretion of preceptor.

**Course Schedule Requirements**
No on-call requirement. Student is present during usual clinical hours (7:00am – 6:00pm, Monday – Friday, excluding holidays as determined by the ECU calendar).

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