Elective Description

Campus: Northwest (Minot)  
Elective/Experience Title: Emergency Medicine  
Location of Elective: Trinity Health - Minot, ND

Department: Emergency Medicine  
Course Number: EMRG 9405

Preceptor(s): (student may select preceptor)  
Scott E. Knutson, MD  
Paul Olson, MD  
Wade Talley, MD

Period(s) Offered: All  
Number of students per period: One

Purpose: To provide education and experience in the care of patients requiring emergency room services.

Objectives: Following successful completion of this elective, the student will be able to:
1. Demonstrate proficiency in the initial assessment and management of the patient presenting with urgent/emergent medical or traumatic injuries.
2. Assist or perform the different emergency room procedures and techniques, under the supervision of the emergency room physicians.
3. Describe the operation and function of an emergency room.
4. Discuss the management of emergency patient care with a special emphasis on meeting patient expectations from a public relations as well as a medical standpoint.

Instructional Activities: During this elective, the student will be involved in/experience:
1. Evaluation of Emergency Room patients, followed by review of patients with emergency physician.
2. Assigned reading; i.e. ATLS, SCLS, APLS manuals.
3. Assigned emergency room topic presentations or discussions.

Criteria for Grading: During and following this elective, the preceptor will:
1. Evaluate by direct observation the student’s ability to develop a differential diagnosis of a patient presenting to the ER for urgent or emergent care.
2. Evaluate by direct observation the student’s clinical skills.
3. Complete the standardized UNDSMHS senior elective form.