

Elective Description

Campus: ALL (Southeast)

Elective Title: General Pediatrics: White Earth

Location of Elective: White Earth Health Center (IHS) Pediatric Clinic, MN

Department: Pediatrics

Course Number: PED 9514

Preceptor(s): Thomas Schreiner, M.D.

Period(s) Offered: All

Number of students per period: One (1)

Course prerequisites:

Revised Curriculum Phase(s): 3

Please note: This rotation requires a background check and fingerprints prior to starting which can take a month to complete. Housing is provided by the Tribe at a local hotel. No meals are provided. A vehicle is needed for this elective.

Purpose: To provide clinical experiences in general pediatrics in a rural setting with special emphasis on the health of Native American children.

Objectives: Following successful completion of this elective, the student will be able to:

1. Demonstrate an increased knowledge base in general pediatrics. EPA #2 #10, Yr4LO #3
2. Demonstrate improved skills in history taking and physical assessment of infants and children and record this information in a concise manner. EPA #1 #6, Yr4LO #1, #2
3. Demonstrate improved assessment skills in growth and psychomotor development in normal and abnormal infants and children. EPA #3, Yr4LO #3, #4
4. Demonstrate an understanding of common pediatric office procedure skills. EPA #12
5. Formulate a concise differential diagnosis and management plan. EPA #2 #4, Yr4LO #3 #5 #9
6. Recognize the unique impact of social determinants of health on Native American children. EPA #13, Yr4LO #7
7. Demonstrate cultural competency and communication skills needed in the care of Native American children and families specific to the White Earth Reservation. EPA #1, #3, Yr4LO #6
8. Complete personal student learning objectives as determined by the student and preceptor at the beginning of the rotation. EPA #7 Yr4LO #13

Instructional Activities: During this elective, the student will be involved in/experience:

1. The formation of individual learning objectives for this elective under the guidance of the course director.
2. Preceptor or course director assigned clinical and didactic activities.
3. Evaluate assigned patients by completing a history and physical exam, developing a differential diagnosis and plan of treatment followed by documentation of the encounter under the supervision of the preceptor.
4. Review the literature on social determinants of health in Native American children and present a project (either as an essay or formal oral presentation) that summarizes the literature and demonstrates how this affects the practice of pediatrics in White Earth. The format of the project will be mutually agreed upon by the student and the preceptor.

5. This elective is an outpatient experience at the White Earth IHS Pediatric Clinic only without on call duties, nights, or weekends. There may be additional opportunities to visit a field clinic with the preceptor.
6. Observation of common pediatric procedures such as circumcision, suturing, and casting.

Criteria for Grading: During and following this elective, the preceptor will:

1. Evaluate by direct observation the quality of the completed assignments and tasks including the social determinants of health project. The project will be graded by the preceptor as pass, fail, or honors eligible.
2. Evaluate by direct observation the quality of the discussions and oral presentations of assigned patient cases.
3. Evaluate the student's performance on the personal learning objectives for this elective.
4. Evaluate the student's professional behavior by direct observation.
5. Utilize the standard UNDSMHS evaluation form