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RE: PGY1-2 Emergency Medicine Rotation

Welcome to your Emergency Medicine Rotation! We look forward to meeting and working with you during your rotation through the emergency departments at KGH and HDH. Your emergency medicine experience is an excellent opportunity to gain exposure to a wide spectrum of illnesses and injuries, and we hope you will find it to be a valuable and enjoyable learning opportunity.

The most important thing to do before your rotation is to read through the **PGY 1 and 2 Guidelines document** (go to <https://emergencymed.queensu.ca>; link under Academics/PGY 1 & 2 Resident rotation) before your rotation. The document contains important information on expectations, objectives, and tips for getting the most from your rotation. It provides all the details on shift scheduling, teaching sessions, and practical information to guide your experience in the ED.

You should explore the rest of the Queen's Emergency Medicine website as well. There you can gain a perspective on our faculty's expertise and academic interests, our research teams, and view shift and rounds schedules. For some links you will be required to enter your Elentra username which will be the first portion of your queens email account before the @ symbol.

Prior to your first shift at each site, please show up 5 or 10 minutes early and identify yourself to the senior resident or staff Emergency Physician on duty. They will arrange to show you around the department and give you a brief orientation.

Please note that although we do not have control of our patient population and case mix on any given shift, we do want to help you meet any personal educational goals that you might have related to patient presentations (e.g. trauma, mental health, substance use, resuscitation, etc.). I would encourage you to identify any such interests to the Senior resident and Attending emergency physician at the start of each shift. Your educational goals are important to us and we will try our best to ensure we meet your needs.

Good luck and I hope you enjoy your time in the ED.

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