

Welcome to Acute Care Block at Gundersen,

We are excited and eager to have you with us to learn about Acute Care on the hospital wards, ICU and Trauma Emergency Center (TEC) on this Block. At first it will be new but in just a few weeks you will be amazed at how much more comfortable you are in a hospital setting.

Gundersen is an organization that thrives in excellent patient care and our interdisciplinary care teams consist of Students, Resident, Pharmacists, Nurses, Chaplains, Physicians and Social Workers - all essential for great patient care and the work for our mission of "Love and Medicine." Be sure to take time to listen and learn from each discipline.

Acute Care is often the laced with critical decision making this field one that is depicted on all those fun TV shows --- *except a whole bunch more documentation on EPIC*. Moreover, it is import for us to always remember the person and family before us going through a very scary time. Your efforts to search out the best practices in medical knowledge and to also act with empathy will matter to your patient outcomes. Your work here will touch lives- and sometimes you will cure them! At the bedside your careful words and attention can always help to heal them.

On Tuesday afternoon you will have learning time in which our eager teachers will be excited to discuss cases and provide hands on SIM sessions for you to gain skills and cement your understanding. This is unique "6:1" time with an expert in Internal Medicine, Neurology, Cardiology, Endocrinology, Psychiatry, Pulmonology, Radiology and Emergency Medicine. Use this personalized teaching time to groom deeper understanding of the concepts you are living in patient care.

- Own you patients and be sure to be the one to present them on rounds! Take Ownership!
- Listen hard to the medicines and doses to gain familiarly with the tools of the trade.
- Come prepared - use your 6:1 learning times well and bring your questions!
- Let us know how we can help – you are away from home and we are here to celebrate with you on good day, listen on hard days, and provide Kleenex to stethoscopes if there is a need for this Journey
- Whatever you plan to be in Medicine or Surgery – doing it well matters and you will learn important skills in this block to take with you. Engage!
- If you don't know – ask ... lots of new terms "card rounds", "morning report", "AIDC", "ORIF" – you will know these soon. You are here to learn – if you knew it all already you would be a Resident!

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We are delighted to have you at Gundersen Health System for this rotation.

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