Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center/Olive View-UCLA Medical Center Emergency Medicine Residency

Rotation Curriculum

Rotation: Elective (PGY2, PGY3, PGY4)
Site: Various

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Program Coordinator
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Schedule: Residents must email Susie Morissett in advance to obtain elective approval and cc: Dr. Waxman 60 days before an elective in the United States and 90 days before an international elective. In your email, you must include Goals and Objectives, as well as supervisor contact information. The supervisor’s approval and agreement to serve as a supervisor for the elective must be obtained prior to contacting Susie and Dr. Waxman.

Description of Rotation:
A successful career in Emergency Medicine requires a broad range of skills, but provides a wealth of opportunities from which to choose. Electives allow residents to gain mastery in core EM and supplementary areas, and to develop research projects or areas of clinical focus that are the beginnings of an academic niche. Residents may choose clinical rotations, for example an ophthalmology rotation to improve eye exam skills, a radiology rotation to learn the basics of reading an abdominal CT, or a cardiology elective geared to improve the interpretation of common and complex EKGs. Electives allow residents time and focus to master skills. Residents interested in research, education or administration may choose electives to supplement those experiences. These elective opportunities offer residents to develop both a range of skills and a clarity of purpose to succeed in their chosen EM niche.

All electives must:
1. Contribute to the emergency medicine educational goals of the individual resident.
2. Have defined goals and objectives.
3. Provide appropriate resident supervision.
4. Include an assessment of resident performance.
5. Comply with UCLA Graduate Medical Education office policies.
6. Be approved by the Program Director prior to the start of the rotation.
7. Residents are expected to spend approximately 35 hours per week on elective experiences.

Residents may refer to the Elective Experiences document to review elective rotation possibilities. This document can be found on Veriform https://rm.verinform.com/pm/pm_start.phtml?db=ucla under the EM Documents section. Please log in with your assigned credentials.

Please note residents are not permitted to participate in an elective experience for residency credit in locations for which a United States State Department Travel Advisory has been issued. Please check http://www.travel.state.gov/ for Travel Advisory information.

Rotation assignments:
Goals and Objectives:
Goals and objectives will be specific to the individual resident and selected elective experience.

Assessment:
Monitoring of the accomplishment of the stated objectives will be performed using the following methods:
Global Rating: end of rotation evaluation of resident performance with respect to the stated objectives by elective supervisor.