

Critical Care -Ochsner

Ochsner Medical Center-Main Campus

On-Site Rotation Supervisor: Dr. David Taylor

Goals: To develop exceptional competence in the diagnosis and treatment of patients with acute organ failures.

Clinics and Conferences

- Attend continuity clinic during this rotation
- Attend critical care didactic lectures each one time
- Present one critical care topic
- Thursday afternoon Pulmonary Conferences at LSU (12:30 pm)

On Call Coverage

Fellows assigned to Ochsner ICU, Pulmonary Consultation, Lung Transplant, Kenner-Ambulatory and Ochsner Elective rotations share weeknight and weekend combined coverage.

OBJECTIVES

Medical Knowledge and Clinical Skills

- First year fellows will encounter and master the basic management of: respiratory failure, shock and sepsis
- This campus offer unique exposure to gastrointestinal/hepatic issues in critical care and neurosurgical emergencies
- Fellows will perform invasive critical care procedures under supervision until competency is established.
- Procedural emphasis: central lines, airway management, critical care ultrasound, thoracostomy tubes

Patient Care

- Fellows will establish personal responsibility for patient care by evaluating all new admissions personally.
- Fellows will develop habits for effective pre and post-call communication with on call physicians.

Evaluation

- Supervising staff, interdisciplinary team

Recommended Supervision

- First Year: Direct supervision for pulmonary procedures by attending physician until competency confirmed. Direct supervision for all elective moderate sedation procedures.
- Second and Third Year: Indirect supervision for pulmonary procedures. Direct supervision for elective moderate sedation procedures.
- All patients evaluated by the fellows are staffed directly within one day or emergently if indicated.

Practice Based Learning and Improvement

- Fellows will learn to defend clinical decision making on rounds and in Chest Conference by utilizing the medical literature

Systems-Based Practice

- Fellows will learn implementation and execution of quality improvement initiatives (sepsis, hand-washing, aspiration)

Interpersonal and Communication Skills

- Fellows will gain expertise in end-of-life discussions with input from the palliative care team and participation in case based end of life curriculum.

Level Specific Goals

First Year-Introduction to critical care: pathophysiology, shock, respiratory failure, airway skills, ventilator management.

Second and Third Year- Advanced airways skills, advanced mechanical ventilation concepts, team leadership, quality improvement and patient safety projects.

Section of
Pulmonary/Critical Care

