PULMONARY DISEASES

Credit: Selective B or Elective
Location: Barlow Respiratory Hospital
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Applications will be accepted beginning 2007-2008 by arrangement

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PREREQUISITE: Medicine I Clerkship

DURATION: 3 weeks

DATES OFFERED: September – April
Rotation scheduled: in 3 week intervals based on UCLA calendar

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 1

VISITING STUDENTS: No

DESCRIPTION:
Students will round with physician director on critically ill patients, many of whom have multiple co-morbidities. Didactic teaching is performed using printed educational material as supplement to bedside teaching

EVALUATION:
Students will be informed of expectations in a meeting with the attending physician. Student’s performance is assessed by the faculty who work with them based on their effort, proficiency and behavior.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:
Students will be able to:
1. Demonstrate basic knowledge of pulmonary medicine.
2. Use clinical skills in evaluation of patients with respiratory problems.
3. Discuss the basics of mechanical ventilation.
4. Describe basic upper airway and tracheostomy management.
5. Discuss the basics of caring for patients with chronic diseases.
6. Discuss the basics of caring for patients with multi-system organ failure.
7. More effectively interpret chest x-rays.
9. Discuss the basics of multi-disciplinary end-of-life care.
10. Communicate with families of critically-ill patients.

SUPERVISION:
100% Faculty

*Selective Attendance and Illness Policy
In order to insure adequate clinical exposure, no more than 3 days of excused absences (to include official Holidays) can be accepted during a selective. This policy does not imply that absences are guaranteed; absences may be excused at the discretion of the faculty. Absence due to illness must be reported to the faculty or his/her designee as soon as possible. In case of extended absence (2 days or more), a note from a physician (who is not a relative) is required and the absence will be reported to the Office of Student Affairs. A physician note may be requested for any absence, at the discretion of the faculty.

Students will generally be required to make up days before a passing grade can be assigned. All absences must be excused and any planned absence must be registered with the preceptor prior to the first day of the selective. Students should take vacation time if he/she anticipates a need for more than 3 absences during a selective. USMLE and BLS/ACLS will not be considered excused absences.