

Pediatric ED Reflection Questions

1. What types of patients (diagnoses) did you see in the PED?

The types of patients that I saw during my visit in the ped floor were many RSV, allergic reaction, and covid like symptoms. For the most part, this makes sense as to why there was many cases around it due to winter being around the corner. Most of the cases that I experienced were not very critical, but mostly showing signs and symptoms of a cold.

2. The majority of the patients who came into the PED were from which age group? Was this what you expected?

Most of the PED patients were between the ages of 2-5 years of age. This was expected due to them returning to school/and or day care and transmitting bacteria. It is very common for children to spread bacteria/viruses when it comes to children returning to school and daycare.

3. Was your overall experience different than what you expected? Please give examples.

My experience is definitely very different, I thought that during my time in the ED PEDS I would be very busy, however, we were very slow and had very minor cases. I believed that during my time in the ED PEDS I would have traumatic cases, but that wasn't the case.

4. How did growth and development come into play when caring for patients (both in triage and in treatment rooms)?

Growth and development came into play due to trying to talk to the patient and being able to take their vital signs. An important aspect of this kind of population would be to never say "let me take" this makes the child believe that you are taking something, therefore, it's much better to use different kinds of words.

5. What types of procedures did you observe or assist with?

6. What community acquired diseases are trending currently?

7. What community mental health trends are being seen in the pediatric population?
8. What patient population is the most vulnerable?
9. What is the process for debriefing after a traumatic event?

We did not have a traumatic event, but I would believe that during this time is the best time to be able to delegate what could have worked better or something that would of made the situation run smoother.

10. If someone donated \$100 million to the PED, what would you change?
11. What is the process for triaging patients in the PED?
12. What role does the Child Life Specialist play in the PED?