

Pediatric ED Reflection Questions

1. What types of patients (diagnoses) did you see in the PED? Appendicitis, diabetes, facial lacerations, undescended testicle, suicidal thoughts, swallowed a foreign body, and strep.
2. The majority of the patients who came into the PED were from which age group? Was this what you expected? School aged. This was what I was expecting.
3. Was your overall experience different than what you expected? Please give examples.
I was pleasantly surprised how everyone worked together. I had thought that ED nurses worked all by themselves, but everyone helps everyone with patient care.
4. How did growth and development come into play when caring for patients (both in triage and in treatment rooms)? I only worked in treatment rooms today. From what I saw in the rooms growth and development came into play when we had to do IV sticks and take vitals. Each kid I saw at a different developmental age liked different distraction techniques. The way each child reacted to everything made sense when looking at growth and development
5. What role does the Child Life Specialist play in the PED?
Child life's role is to help kids get through hard painful procedures with distraction and understanding.