

## Pediatric ED Reflection Questions

1. What types of patients (diagnoses) did you see in the PED?
  - a. I saw a 3-year-old MVA patient with a tiny fracture in the skull and bruises all over the body. As well as, a psych patient 8yr old who punched herself in the face.
2. The majority of the patients who came into the PED were from which age group? Was this what you expected?
  - a. Well from the patients that popped up on the track board, it was more of a younger age less than 12 years old. In my opinion, it doesn't surprise me. I believe parents of younger children don't know why their child isn't feeling well and the child can't communicate with them that well so they bring them to the ED for help.
3. Was your overall experience different than what you expected? Please give examples.
  - a. I was not expecting an MVA today. That was a happy shock to me. Okay not really happy because it was a terrible event, but for being a student happy-wise. It allowed me to see all of the collaboration between different teams in the Trauma room taking care of this little boy who had been in an MVA with his mother and sister.
4. How did growth and development come into play when caring for patients (both in triage and in treatment rooms)?
  - a. It made me think about what stage they were in and how to communicate with them and how they might act.
5. What types of procedures did you observe or assist with?
  - a. I observed them cath a little boy, a radiology scan, and a CT with contrast.
6. What community-acquired diseases are trending currently?
  - a. Right now hand-foot-mouth disease has been trending.

7. What community mental health trends are being seen in the pediatric population?
  - a. I believe the big one right now is more so anxiety.
8. How does the staff debrief after a traumatic event? Why is debriefing important?
  - a. I believe it was to cover their basis and make sure they did all the steps they needed to make sure the patient was on their path to recovery and at a place where they could make the diagnosis if needed.
9. What is the process for triaging patients in the PED?
  - a. It allows us to examine the patient see the severity of their health and learn more about their H&P to see how they're doing.
10. What role does the Child Life Specialist play in the PED?
  - a. They help us with the more so atraumatic care with our patients. Today our child life nurse helped us distract our patient during the IV start so they could feel less pain during the insertion.