

## Pediatric ED Reflection Questions

1. What types of patients (diagnoses) did you see in the PED? *Craniosynostosis with infection to surgery site. Trauma MVA with skull fracture.*
2. The majority of the patients who came into the PED were from which age group? Was this what you expected? *Most of the patients in the ED were under age 10 which was expected however, a 23 year old walked in and the ED team was ready to see her.*
3. Was your overall experience different than what you expected? Please give examples. *Most of the experience went as expected. If anything, I was thinking it would be a bit more hectic but they are organized and have a good system in the day to day runnings*
4. How did growth and development come into play when caring for patients (both in triage and in treatment rooms)? *Growth and development come into play in several aspects while in the ED. Whether it's distracting a small child so we can get vital signs or building trust with an adolescent so they trust you.*
5. What types of procedures did you observe or assist with? *Foley catheter insertion, chest x-ray, receiving a trauma care patient.*
6. What community acquired diseases are trending currently? *Flu, RSV, and Strep were most common. There was also one case of hand foot mouth.*
7. What community mental health trends are being seen in the pediatric population? *There was one young child being seen while I was there who was having a mental health crisis. She had severe depression and was hurting herself*
8. How does the staff debrief after a traumatic event? Why is debriefing important? *I didn't see any formal debrief however, Dr. Proctor who was overseeing the care for the trauma patient spoke to the charge nurse about the care that the patient received and will be receiving.*
9. What is the process for triaging patients in the PED? *Patients that were most ill or sent directly from the doctor's office were seen in triage first. Vitals, chief complaint, and medical history were obtained then the patient was placed in a room to see the physician.*
10. What role does the Child Life Specialist play in the PED? *I got to speak with the Child Life specialist while waiting for the trauma patient. She taught me more about her role even though the patient wasn't at a place to receive her services. I learned that she was also there as a service to the parents and family when they arrived. She can help explain to them what treatment their child is going thru and assist in answering questions they might have.*