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My experience in the emergency department was good because I was able to apply lab skills in a real setting. Drawing up the medications and starting a successful IV helped build up my confidence in the clinical setting as well as give me more practice with the skill. The nurse I was with allowed me to be more hands-on than I thought I was going to be able to be from past clinical experience, which I appreciated. I got to see different aspects of the emergency department, such as what it looks like to witness a patient be brought in by the police and how that was handled. Another element was the triage, although it was somewhat rushed because the emergency department was getting busy at that time. Observing and helping gave me a better understanding of the information needed in the triage part of the emergency department.