

## Away Rotation Evaluation Form

1. Specialty: Pediatrics (Pediatric Intensive Care Unit)
  
2. Medical School / Hospital: Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP)
  
3. How would you rate your overall experience? (check one)  
 Poor  Fair  Good  Very Good  Excellent
  
4. How many hours per week were you on duty? 65 hrs (8-9 hr. days plus one 30 hr call). You have to take call 4x throughout the month. You choose when you would like to take call (so you never have to work weekends unless for some reason you're into that sort of thing).
  
5. How many hours per week did you spend with:
  - a. Interns: 0
  - b. Residents: pretty much all the time
  - c. Fellows: always available—and are around about 80% of the time. On call you'll work extensively with the fellows.
  - d. Attendings: 2-4 hrs for rounds (depending on who it is) plus some additional time in the afternoons. There won't be too much one on one student-attending teaching. Teaching is done during rounds for the most part.
  
6. Did you meet with or work with the Residency Program Director or the Department Chair? No
  
7. Which attendings had the greatest influence on your experience? Stuart Friess, Todd Kilbaugh
  
8. What were your daily duties? Pre-rounding, presenting, admissions when on call. Lots of learning about very complex patients.
  
9. Did this rotation (check one):  
 Create new interest in the specialty  
 Reinforce existing interest  
 Decrease interest  
 Have no effect
  
10. Any tips on how to get the most out of this rotation? **YOU MUST BE PROACTIVE!** The PICU is a very busy, fast-paced, dynamic environment. If you aren't proactive, you can spend the whole month being an observer with nobody realizing you're around. I didn't get any patients until my third day when I had to demand them. Once you show that you're interested and competent; however, you will be treated as one of the team and you'll learn a ton----about things like airway management, sepsis, shock, head injuries/neurosurgery patients, rare genetic disorders, ECMO perhaps, and more airway management (physiology, vents, mechanics, pharmacology, etc)
  
11. Any warnings or tips on what NOT to do? Don't wait for the rotation to come to you. Get involved. And of course, get in the good graces of the nurses, who can teach you a lot.

12. Did you get a letter of recommendation? I received an excellent letter of recommendation. I haven't read it, but interviewers comment on it at every program that I interview at.

13. Did this rotation help you get an interview? I don't know. I'm interviewing at CHOP, but who knows why they pick who they do.

14. Is housing provided? If not, any recommendations on where to stay? N/A

15. Is parking provided? If not, any recommendations on where to park? No. I rode my bike, which was a drag. There is public transportation though (the trolley).

16. Who did you contact to set up this rotation? CHOP website. Or contact Rane DiFabrizio directly at difabrizio@email.chop.edu

a. Did you use VSAS? I don't know what VSAS is.

17. When did you apply for the rotation and when did they inform you that you got the rotation? I don't recall.

18. Were there any special requirements for the rotation (i.e. BLS re-certification, LOR, etc.)? Just a CV I believe. Look on the website in the visiting student section.

19. Would you recommend this rotation to future JMC 4<sup>th</sup> years? Definitely.

20. Please add additional comments (strengths, weaknesses, miscellaneous tips...)  
CHOP sees an amazing volume and variety of patients with very interesting pathology. The attendings are brilliant and you can learn a lot from them and the fellows. As I said before, however, you'll only get out what you put in. Get involved and be proactive and it will be a great rotation.

THANK YOU!

Please return form to [jeffersonAOA@gmail.com](mailto:jeffersonAOA@gmail.com).

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