Elective Title
HIPHOP-Promise Clinic
Continuity Elective Part IV

Course Number
MDC 9006

Location
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Blocks Available
All

Duration/Weeks
52 Weeks

Hours per Week
4-6 hours per week

Students
50

Lectures/Seminars
Yes

Outpatient
Yes

Inpatient
No

Housestaff
No

Night Call
No

Weekends
No

Lab
No

Exam Required
No

Overall Educational Goal of Elective
To prepare medical students for a lifelong career of service and foster an interest in primary care and working with the underserved. This will be accomplished through a series of both clinical and didactic experiences. Students will learn to appreciate the concept of continuity of care, its advantages and challenges.

Objectives
- Develop an understanding of the medical, political and social context of the clinic and its patient population.
- Learn about the healthcare needs of the homeless population, their barriers to healthcare, and the social services available to them.
- Learn about and utilize other local resources that community clinics depend on for providing cohesive care.
- Develop an understanding of the use and efficacy of preventive and screening services.
- Improve clinical skills and knowledge.
- Foster a commitment to social responsibility and activism within health care.
- Develop a spirit of service and activism.

Brief Description of Activities
Fourth year medical students will work on a team with a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd year medical student. Each team will be assigned to the care of one patient. All patients are clients at Elijah’s Promise Soup Kitchen and will be screened at the soup kitchen to determine whether they are eligible for clinic services. The healthcare team will provide primary health care for their patient throughout their years at Piscataway/New Brunswick campus. They will be responsible for arranging an initial thorough visit with their patient, as well as arrange follow-up appointments with their patients as needed. The appointments will be scheduled during clinic hours, which are once a week on Thursday evenings. At each visit, the student doctor team will gather the history, perform the physical exam, come up with an assessment, and develop a plan. Each student responsibilities will be appropriate to their knowledge and ability level. The team will then present their patient to the volunteer physician preceptor for the vening and will adjust their assessment/plan as needed. The team will then present their patient to the volunteer physician preceptor for the vening and will adjust their assessment/plan as needed. In addition to volunteering as a student doctor in the clinic, students will be required to teach teaching sessions and submit a written reflection.

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Method of Evaluation
The Promise Clinic Elective Requirements

1. Attend orientation.
2. Attend at least 3 patient appointments.
3. Write a 1-2 page reflection.
4. Teach 1 teaching session.
5. Attend TeamSTEPPS Training.

* Note: Clinic visits and teaching sessions for MDC 9006 cannot be used toward fulfillment of PCM requirements.

Failure to meet requirements can result in dismissal from being a student doctor and participating in the elective. Participants will receive one week of elective credit time for meeting all requirements.

The electives are graded as PASS/FAIL. Three unexcused absences will result in the termination of the students’ participation in the elective.

Are there any prerequisites for this elective? No
Is this elective available to third year medical students as well? No