Y34 Family Medicine
Course ID: MED 797O/997O
Discipline: Medicine
Prerequisites: 8 or more weeks of core clerkships.
Available Sites: Saginaw, Midland
Duration: 4 weeks

Description
The purpose of the Family Medicine elective is to model the principles of Family Medicine in an academic setting; these principles include the biopsychosocial model and care that is comprehensive, contextual, coordinated, and involves a variety of complexities. The rotation will expose students to Family Medicine Residency training, and allow them to participate in the care of patients and the activities of the residency program under the supervision of residents and faculty.

Key Objectives

• Demonstrate patient-centered communication skills.
• Provide patient education that is attuned to patient needs and abilities.
• Formulate clinical assessments using evidence based resources.
• Demonstrate understanding of the role that family plays in health and wellness.
• Demonstrate understanding of community factors that impact health.
• Discuss how culture can impact health and access to health care.
• Describe the roles of team members in the care of patients.
• Perform focused histories and focused physical exams.
• Describe cost effective workups of common acute problems.
• Find and apply diagnostic criteria for common chronic problems.
• Utilize evidence based resources to determine chronic disease management.
• Provide patient specific, respectful education about chronic diseases.
• Apply appropriate health promotion and disease prevention guidelines for all patients.
• Identify and perform age appropriate screenings and exams.
• Document office visits in the EMR.
• Compare health outcomes in areas with adequate access to primary with those lacking in access to primary care.

Assessment Method
College of Medicine standard elective assessment will be completed by supervising faculty at conclusion of elective clerkship.

Scheduling Information
Interested students should contact CMU College of Medicine Department of Distributed Clinical Education at CMEDDCE@cmich.edu.