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University of Alberta Geriatric EM Curriculum: draft outline Curriculum lead: Rebecca Schonnop

Target audience: R2-R3 (3-4 sessions per year) over 2-year curriculum program

Session outlines:

- 7 sessions (1/2 day each)
 - Pre-day work would be the geri-em online module
 - Each day would have a didactic presentation from myself or another geri expert, then group work on cases, short answer q's etc.
 - 6 classroom sessions/CBL +didactic
 - Seventh session would be simulation
- Simulation
 - Once every 2 years
 - Elder suit session + 3 cases
 - 3 cases:
 - agitated delirium geri patient with PD (avoid haldol etc)
 - geri trauma patient
 - GOC conversation in critical patient
- For future, plan to add 1-2 shifts scheduled with geri-EM expert in the ED
 - Only see patients 75+
 - Focus on comprehensive assessment, calling collateral, applying screening tools
 - Spend 1 hour with care coordinator/other allied services to see what they do on their assessments

Classroom Session Topics:

1. Atypical presentations (including effect of comorbid conditions) & Frailty
2. Medication management
3. Trauma & elder abuse
4. Falls & Functional assessment
5. End of life issues and symptom management
6. Cognition - delirium and dementia

Session Resources:

1. Atypical presentations (including effect of comorbid conditions) & Frailty
 - GEDC Online module: Atypical presentations in the older ED patient (<https://gedcollaborative.com/course/atypical-presentations-in-the-older-ed-patient/>)
 - GEDC Online module: Frailty in the older ED patient (<https://gedcollaborative.com/course/frailty/>)
2. Medication management
 - GEDC Online module: Medication management in the older ED patient (<https://gedcollaborative.com/course/medication-management-in-older-ed-patients/>)
3. Trauma: including elder abuse

- GEDC Online module: Major trauma in the older ED patient
(<https://gedcollaborative.com/course/major-trauma/>)
- 4. Falls and Functional assessment and discharge planning including transitions of care
 - GEDC Online module: Emergency management of falls in the older ED patient
(<https://gedcollaborative.com/course/emergency-management-of-falls-in-the-older-ed-patient/>)
 - GEDC Online module: Functional assessment and transitions of care for older ED patients (<https://gedcollaborative.com/course/functional-assessment-and-transitions-of-care/>)
- 5. End of life issues and symptom management
 - GEDC Online module: End of life and symptom management in the older ED patient
(<https://gedcollaborative.com/course/end-of-life-management/>)
- 6. Cognition - delirium and dementia
 - GEDC Online module: Cognitive impairment in the older ED patient
(<https://gedcollaborative.com/course/cognitive-impairment-in-the-older-ed-patient/>)

Tentative Schedule:

YEAR 1	YEAR 2
Session #1 – Medication management Session #2 – Cognition Session #3 – Trauma	Session #4 – Atypical presentations and frailty Session #5 – Falls & Functional assessment Session #6 – End of life issues Session #7 - Simulation