

PHP 592, PHP 593 or PHC 594 Pharmacotherapy Track
ADVANCE PRACTICE EXPERIENCE
IN CARDIOVASCULAR PHARMACOTHERAPY
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OF RHODE ISLAND

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ROTATIONS 5 Week Rotation: Coronary Care Unit

DESCRIPTION:

Memorial Hospital of Rhode Island is a medium-size community teaching hospital located in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. The hospital is affiliated with Brown Medical School and has several medical faculty on staff. There are two medical residency programs at Memorial Hospital: one in Internal Medicine and the other in Family Medicine.

Coronary Care Unit Rotation:

During the rotation, students attend and actively participate in daily work/attending rounds with the CCU medical team. Patients include those with acute cardiovascular processes including myocardial infarctions, unstable angina, heart failure and arrhythmias in addition to other medical problems. Although rounds usually start at 8am, students typically arrive earlier to review charts prior to rounds.

Students maintain a current and accurate monitoring profile for each CCU patient including assessment of drug selection, dosage, adverse effects and drug interactions and record their activities through monitoring and intervention forms. For patient-specific problems and resident teaching, students support clinical decision making by locating, retrieving, summarizing, and interpreting current drug literature

During the rotation, students present patients to the preceptor on a biweekly basis. Meetings also incorporate in-depth discussion of the cardiovascular literature and application to specific patients. A drug information paper and a formal presentation to the CCU medical team are also required elements of the rotation.