

PATCH Program Content for Interns:

1. Interns are introduced to geriatrics home palliative care through an interactive game “PATCH Match”—lead by attending and played with the entire group of trainees doing outpatient geriatrics that month. This game takes about an hour and emphasizes components of geriatrics, palliative care and home care.
2. Learners encouraged to complete modules for more indepth study. To do so, they are directed to the Patch website:
<http://arkham.bsd.uchicago.edu/patch/index.html>
3. Short topical lectures while making visits.
4. Experiential learning by clinical care in the home—each resident accompanies the PATCH team on approximately 3 to 5 visits with the PATCH team on one day.
 1. Learners are given patient information and the opportunity to review the chart on the way to the patient’s home.
 2. Learners encouraged to be involved with the team in the assessment and decision-making of patients.
 3. Discussions after the visit start with the learner’s observation about differences in how care is provided in the home versus if the same patients were seen in another setting.
 4. Twice a month, PATCH team meeting occur where learners are encouraged to participate in follow-up of the patients they saw.