**Intensive Care Unit – Description**

**Intensive Care Unit (ICU)**

Coordinators: Dr David Messenger and Dr John Drover

The internal medicine residents complete a 2 block (or sometimes 3 block) rotation in ICU either at Kingston General Hospital or at the Lakeridge (Oshawa) ICU site. This rotation is completed in their PGY2 year. Both ICUs are ‘closed’ models and both are Tertiary Care Referral centres for their respective regions. The resident spends their time managing patients in the ICU setting and evaluating critical care consults from the Emergency Room or Hospital wards. The residents are the primary caregivers for patients under their care in the unit and work closely with senior residents/fellows in the ICU as well as ‘hands-on’ overall supervision from Attending Intensivists.

In addition, the trainees will participate in the educational curriculum that is set up at both sites. This curriculum includes Simulation training and Code Blue teaching/feedback. There are also daily lectures/teaching sessions on ICU related topics that all residents are expected to attend.

Residents participate in overnight call covering the ICU and evaluating new consults. They always have direct supervision available from a more senior resident or fellow or the Attending Physician.

Any vacation requests/days off have to be submitted to, and approved by, the ICU before any final approval - so please submit any requests in a timely manner.