Infections in the Elderly, Parts 1 & 2

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Length: Part 1, 1 hour; Part 2, 1 Hour
Target Audience:
   Emergency Medicine Residents (Primary)
   Internal Medicine Residents
   Emergency Medicine Faculty

Presentation Overview:
Recognizing and treating infections in the elderly patient can be particularly challenging because symptoms are often quite subtle and atypical in older adults. In this session, the emergency medicine resident will learn how to: 1) recognize these common atypical presentations using sepsis, pneumonia and urinary tract infections as examples, 2) institute treatment in the elderly with respect to medication dosing and drug interactions and 3) identify admission criteria and appropriate transitioning of care from the ED.

Learning objectives:
At the end of this presentation, residents will be able to:
1. Recognize common atypical presentations of various geriatric infections.
2. Institute treatment in the elderly with respect to medication dosing and drug interactions.
3. Identify admission criteria and appropriate transitioning of care from the Emergency Department.

Instructional Methods:
   Didactic presentation with PowerPoint slides
   Case-based discussion
   Audience response questions

Evaluation Methods:
   Pre-Test Items
   Post-Test Items
   Reaction survey

Resource(s):
YouTube Lecture Presentations:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=03LUVcwqN1I&feature=plcp
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M1RvOlqiVfI&feature=plcp

References: