Clinical Reasoning

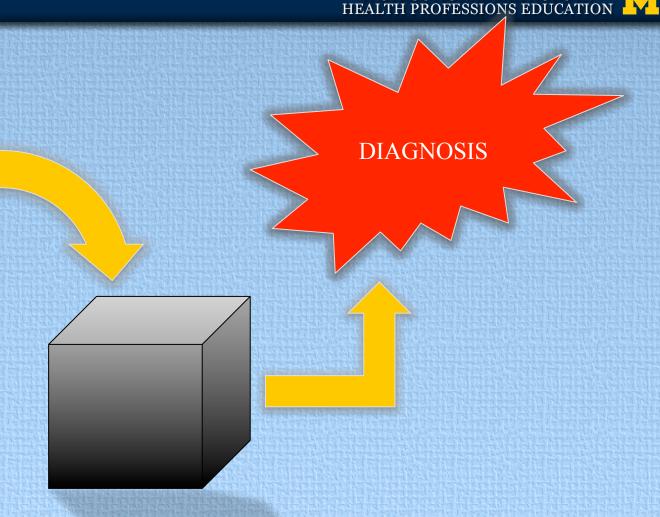
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Intended Learning Outcomes

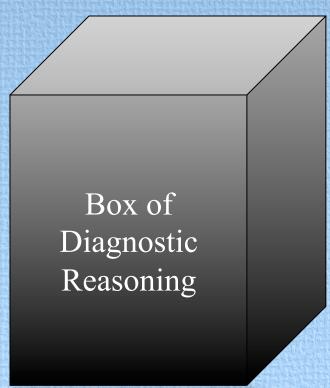
- Describe skills involved in 'clinical reasoning'
- Understand the RIME descriptors as a framework for development
- Become familiar with techniques to support improved clinical reasoning

INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS IN HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION

- **✓** History
- ✓ Physical Examination
- **✓** Laboratory studies
- ✓ Imaging studies



Magic in the Box ???

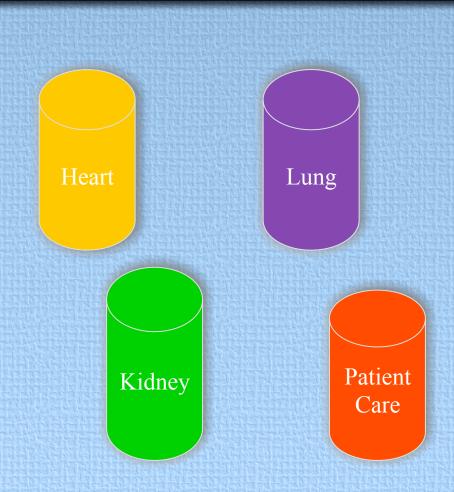


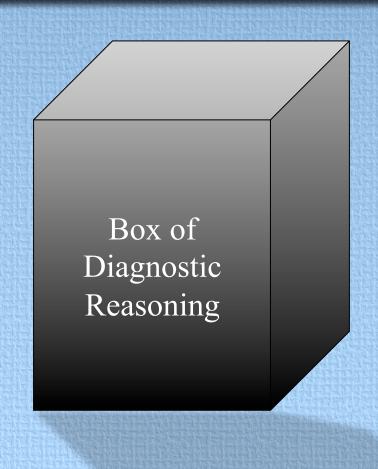
Foundational knowledge

- Epidemiology of disease
- Expected time course
- Key features of condition
- Mechanisms of disease
- "Illness script"
 - Definitions based on the accumulation of experience with knowledge

Illness Script Formation

- Generate and accrue illness scripts with exposure and experience to become 'expert'
- Magic happens for a learner when they can place their knowledge silos into one box for their cognitive use!!





Making a Diagnosis

- Gather the data
- "Dial up" the illness scripts in play
- Generate hypotheses
- Test the hypotheses based on inclusion and exclusion criteria in your script

Abdominal Pain

- IN VIDEO QUIZ
 - Step through the process points of clinical reasoning

Review in-video quiz points

- Knowing the age of the patient, critical components of the history and physical
- Multiple 'working diagnoses'
- Obtaining clarifying labs and diagnostic studies
- Concluding diagnosis

RIME Framework

Framework for describing learner's skills

- REPORTER
- INTERPRETER
- MANAGER
- EDUCATOR

REPORTER	INTERPRETER	MANAGER	EDUCATOR
Gathers factsReliable dataNo discernmentReports back	 Able to prioritize information Incorporate data Discernment Develop diagnoses 	 Judgment Acumen Incorporates unique and specific facts Circumstances 	 Self-directed learner Define questions Share new knowledge with others
Early clinical	Late clinical	Midlevel	Supervisory

From "R" to "I"

- · One minute preceptor: what you can do
 - Get a commitment
 - Supporting evidence
 - Teach a 'big ticket' or general rule
 - Reinforce
 - Provide constructive feedback

Learner can use "SNAPPS"

- Summarize
- Narrow the differential
- Analyze the differential
- Probe for uncertainty
- Plan next steps in management
- Select case related issues for self-study

How 'SNAPPS' helps you

- Did learner collect enough or appropriate information?
- Have they constructed an appropriate differential?
- Their questions identify their zone of proximal development!

Skill Development

- Simulation
- Teaching with data
- Clinical reasoning

• Still to come: Attitudes and attributes