



## Emergency Medicine Resident and Medical Student Testimonials

### Area of Expertise: Emergency Medicine Diagnosing a Patient

The following are reports from participants written after two months of using a top Emergency Medicine Physician's reasoning expertise.

- **From a second-year resident, Dr. Nazneen Hoque:** “It is indeed a very helpful tool to quickly assess patients anywhere in the emergency department, be it in the triage or the major/minor area. It not only gives us clues about the severity of the underlying condition but also helps us plan our very next step, which is more intuitive than organized clinical reasoning, with the physician's unconscious reasoning expertise being correct most times. I would highly recommend this approach to medical students, interns and residents to develop their reasoning expertise as a clinician, which is a skill that can be developed only with practice. I have applied this approach in the Emergency Department and it has proved to be an efficient tool in recognizing and prioritizing patients subsequently.”
- **From a first-year resident, Dr. Aysha Nazir:** “The approach is a great tool that I found helped me shut out the background noise when first eyeballing the patient. It changed how I approached the patient from start to finish. Not only will it help define your approach to a patient, it'll sharpen your reasoning expertise and tell you how much you need to be worried, which as an emergency physician is a great asset to have. And it only gets better with practice.”
- **From a medical student, Dr. Muzammil Mirza (summarized):** “Advantages are that it helps you focus on things that may indicate the need for emergency management, gives you clues to the diagnosis, and trains your mind to classify patients in need of emergency management. Disadvantages are that it may over or under estimate the patient's condition (if one forgets the possibility of error.) It appeals more to established physicians than to students.”