

Family and Community Medicine

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Residency

Family and Community Medicine Residency

The Department of Family and Community Medicine directs a three-year residency program whose graduates are eligible for certification by the American Board of Family Medicine. The residency program trains physicians to provide continuous and comprehensive medical care to patients and their families. Residents are educated in all areas of family and community medicine—adult medicine, maternal and child health, behavioral science, surgical specialties, and community medicine. Training emphasizes the value of wellness and preventive medicine as well as curative medicine.

The program is organized as a progressive educational experience. It consists of formal teaching and clinical experiences on assigned rotations, structured conferences, and patient care in the Family Medicine Clinic. As residents develop clinical skills, medical judgment, and competence, their patient responsibilities increase. Some patients at the Family Medicine Clinic are assigned to residents, who provide medical care under faculty supervision. Residents are responsible for their patients for the duration of the residency program.

Residents also learn the principles of practice management, including organizational and administrative decision-making, patient record and bookkeeping procedures, and chart auditing methodologies.

Residents are expected to take responsibility for their learning environment, to avail themselves of the department's diverse resources, and to collaborate with the faculty in order to have the best possible learning experience.

Family and Community Medicine-Psychiatry Residency

The Department of Family and Community Medicine and the Department of Psychiatry cosponsor the combined Family and Community Medicine-Psychiatry Residency program. The program's residents acquire broad-based training in both disciplines, including focused training in geriatrics and geriatric psychiatry, substance and alcohol abuse, diagnosis and treatment of depression, delirium, eating disorders, panic disorders, and neurotic and somatizing behavior. Graduates are eligible for certification by the American Board of Family Medicine and the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology.