Resident/Fellow Recruitment

2021 – 2022
At the University of Chicago, in an atmosphere of interdisciplinary scholarship and discovery, the **Pritzker School of Medicine** is dedicated to inspiring diverse students of exceptional promise to become leaders and innovators in science and medicine for the betterment of humanity.
University of Chicago

- Founded in 1892 by John D. Rockefeller
- Located in Hyde Park neighborhood
- Globally recognized University with 5,971 undergraduate students and 9,394 graduate and professional students
- Home to more than 90 Nobel Laureates
Why GME Matters

According to ACGME, one out of 7 active physicians in the US is a resident or fellow

At the University of Chicago Medicine, we have 1,023 residents and fellows

Our surveys reveal ~43% of our graduates stay in the Chicagoland area

~10% of the hospital care team

43%
Resident Engagement

- GMEC Meetings
- Intern Café (First 3 months of training)
- GME Chief Resident Council (Quarterly)
- Resident Forum
- Annual GME Town Hall
- GME Open Forum
- Resident Advisory Council for Health System
- GME IGNITE (Improving GME-Nursing Interprofessional Team Experiences)
University of Chicago Medicine

- 9,406 Employees
- 2,491 Nurses
- 870 Attending Physicians
- 987 Residents & Fellows
- 811 Licensed Beds
- 106,641 Emergency Room Visits
- 485,429 Ambulatory Visits
- 32,708 Admissions
- 20,896 Surgeries
- 2,807 Births

Source: https://www.uchicagomedicine.org/about-us/overview-and-facts-at-a-glance
Our GME Team Leadership - Faculty

Anita Blanchard, MD
Associate Dean for GME/DIO

Candice Norcott, PhD
GME Director for Well-Being

Stephen Estime, MD
GME Director for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Edwin McDonald, MD
GME Director for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Megham Twiss
Director GME Operations, Accreditation, and Innovation

Amanda O’Rourke
Director GME, CME and Simulation Finance

Latassa Love
Operations Manager

Jason Griggs
Accreditation Manager

Our GME Team Leadership - Team

AT THE FOREFRONT
UChicago Medicine
UChicago and the Surrounding Community

“As the COVID-19 pandemic has made tragically clear, health disparities in our South Side communities put residents at significantly higher risk for illness – whether chronic disease or viral infection. While UChicago Medicine has made robust investments toward improving health equity, there is a renewed urgency to quickly adapt to this changed landscape and join with community partners in addressing current and evolving healthcare needs.”

Brenda Battle, RN, BSN, MBA
Vice President of the Urban Health Initiative; Chief Diversity, Inclusion and Equity Officer

The Urban Health Initiative (UHI) is the University of Chicago Medicine’s community health department, which administers our population health and community benefit programs.

UHI Sponsored Programs include:
- Community Grand Round
- Violence Prevention and Recovery
- Health Fairs
- Neighborhood Days of Service
- Talk Radio Health Shows
- Mobile Clinics

The map shows the UChicago Medicine service area, covering all 12 ZIP codes:
- 60609
- 60605
- 60607
- 60619
- 60620
- 60611
- 60637
- 60643
- 60649
- 60651

Population:
- 625,707

Poverty:
- 23% of Chicago population

Children in poverty:
- More than 2x the state rate

Education:
- Less than high school grad
- 16% Chicago: 32% Illinois: 12%

Unemployment:
- Nearly double the city-wide rate
- 21% Chicago: 11% Illinois: 8%

Health care concerns from the community:
- Complexity of obtaining and keeping public benefit coverage, such as Medicaid
- Unequal distribution of health care services and facilities
- High cost of some private insurance plans
- Poor health care options for LGBTQ community and people of color.
Community Champions in Action

Tune into WVON 1690 this Saturday, February 13th 1-2pm to hear Community Champions on the Community Health Focus Hour! Watch via Facebook Live or Tune in Live on WVON 1690AM

Community Grand Rounds- LGBTQIA Youth Issues: Homelessness and the Pandemic

Community Champions Orientation
1/29/2021
Academic Affiliation with NorthShore University Health System since July 2009
Resident Resources

Resilience Training
- Yearly institutional curriculum
- Annual GME Resilience Week
- Orientation Intro to EAP

Attending to Foundational/Basic Needs
- Fatigue awareness training
- Call rooms
- Post call taxi service
- On call meal allowance
- Lactation rooms
- 4th Friday Dinners for On-Call Residents

Connecting with Leaders
- Monthly breakfast with DIO
- Quarterly Resident Forum
- Semi-annual Town Halls

Continuing Resources
- Ombudspersons
- EAP
- Resident Health Program
- Psychiatry and Behavioral Health referrals
- Wellness One-sheet resources
- Monthly resident breakfast
- Quarterly social events
- HR sponsored resources
Visit:  
https://gme.uchicago.edu/

The GME Handbook, and information regarding contracts and stipends can be found in the “Resources” section.
Post-Call Transportation Service

• Residents may be reimbursed for post-call transportation if it is unsafe to drive

• Submit signed receipts to program coordinator
BSD - Diversity & Inclusion

• House Staff
• Faculty
• Grad Students
• Post-docs

Tobias Spears
Assistant Dean
Diversity & Inclusion

House Staff Diversity Committee

Chidimma J. Acholonu
Co-President
Pediatrics, PGY-3

Heather Renfro
Co-President
Emergency Medicine, PGY-2

• LGBTQ Safe Space
• Inclusion Think Shops
• Pathway Programs
• Diversity Grants

Connect with us at: bsddiversity.uchicago.edu
University Resource Groups

University Resource Groups (RGs) foster diversity and inclusion by helping create safe welcoming environments where an individual’s race, ethnicity, gender, levels of ability, religious beliefs, sexual orientation/gender identity and other important personal attributes are viewed as organizational assets. **RGs are open to all members of the University of Chicago community including faculty, staff, post-doctoral researchers, residents, and students.** Click here to view additional Resource Group Information.

Resource groups may be formed and led by staff, faculty, other academic appointees, postdoctoral researchers, residents, and students.

Connect with us at: https://voices.uchicago.edu/bsddiversity/
“Through collaboration across disciplines, the CGH continues to catalyze innovation and impact on the health of vulnerable populations.”

— Olufunmilayo Olopade, MD, FACP
Director, Center for Global Health
By serving as A HUB FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY INQUIRY, the Center for Global Health is fostering innovation, facilitating groundbreaking research, and advancing the effort to promote and protect health in our community, our country and around the world.

CGH AIMS TO:

➢ Collaborate with communities locally and globally to promulgate global health education and training
➢ Create and disseminate new knowledge
➢ Increase global health learning opportunities across disciplines and at various levels
➢ Advance novel, transdisciplinary, and sustainable solutions to improving global health and well-being while reducing health disparities and inequities
UChicago Medicine

LEAPFROG
HOSPITAL
SAFETY GRADE

HEALTHCARE EQUALITY INDEX
LGBTQ
HEALTHCARE EQUALITY
LEADER

AT THE FOREFRONT
UChicago Medicine
Clinical Learning Environment

- Patient Safety
- Healthcare Quality and Equity
- Supervision
- Teaming
- Wellbeing
- Professionalism
Engaging Residents in Institutional Quality Work

The IGNITE program is built on a strategic partnership between GME, nursing and operational excellence. The program aims to engage residents and nurses together in performance improvement initiatives, with the ultimate goal of improving healthcare delivery for our patients.
Engaging Residents in Institutional Quality Work

Around the world, the capabilities of modern medicine are being delivered with staggering complexity. Too often this complexity contributes to avoidable harm and unsustainable cost. Moreover, clinicians rarely have the support necessary to address preventable harm or deliver value—defined as the best possible care at the lowest possible cost.

To help address this gap at UCM, HDSI launched its annual Choosing Wisely™ Challenge, which will allow staff and trainees to test their innovative approaches to trust building that aim to improve delivery of health care.

2021 Themes:

- Patient Care in the New Normal
- Advanced Care Planning
- Patient Education
- Patient Care Coordination
- Optimizing Telemedicine

GME Residents & Fellows are welcome to participate in:

- **Idea Incubator**: Submit ideas for improvement at UCM
  - In 2019, >121 idea submissions
  - Top 5 ideas are chosen by leaders for UW themes

- **Choosing Wisely Challenge**: Submit a Choosing Wisely and become a principle investigator in your own improvement
  - Top 2 are selected to operationalize
  - Team wins ‘priority and institutional support to $20,000 worth of mentorship, project management and staff time
Promoting a Culture of Collaboration

Your Role as a Resident...

- Learner
- Provider
- Team Member
- Teacher
Residents Are Teachers – 2021 Hilger Perry Jenkins Award

THE HILGER PERRY JENKINS AWARD
for excellence in the performance of academic and patient-oriented service by a resident
presented to
Ashley Suah, MD
Department of Surgery
by the Pritzker School of Medicine class of 2021
May 28, 2021
Residents Are Teachers - 2021 HETA (Humanism and Excellence in Teaching) Awards

Frederick Godley, MD  
Department of Surgery

Suemin (Jasmine) Yoon, MD  
Department of Neurology

Vidya Govind, MD  
Department of Pediatrics

Robyn Power, MD  
Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology

Elizabeth Lees, MD  
Department of Medicine  
NorthShore University HealthSystem

Margaret Smith, MD  
Department of Anesthesia  
& Critical Care

Zachary Bean, MD  
Department of Psychiatry &  
Behavioral Neuroscience

Alexandra Rojek, MD  
Department of Medicine
Chicago Facts

• 200+ theaters
• 50+ Museums
• 8,000+ restaurants
• 31 miles of lakefront
• 77 Neighborhoods
• 580 Parks
Hyde Park

- Located 7 miles from downtown
- Approximately 33% of Hyde Park residents are associated with the University
- Numerous cultural opportunities including music, theater, museums and ready access to downtown by public transportation.
- Wide variety of housing options within walking distance to hospital.
NorthShore University HealthSystem

• Integrated Health System
  – Five hospitals plus home services
  – Faculty practice group plus affiliate physicians
  – 130+ faculty practice clinic locations
  – Research Institute

• Physician membership
  – 900+ faculty practice physicians
  – 2,000+ members of the professional staff

• Single EMR at all hospitals and faculty practice clinics
Diversity and Inclusion Ombudsmen

Tricia Moo-Young, MD
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Licensure Requirements

- A physician may not participate in patient care, attend rounds, or be identified as a physician until he/she hold a valid Illinois medical license.

- Residents/fellows are required to hold a temporary (training) or permanent license. Applications are processed at the UCM GME Office.

License to Practice Medicine or Dentistry. (From UCM Contract)

The Resident/Fellow is required and is responsible for completing all documents in a timely manner to apply for and for obtaining and continuously maintaining, at his or her expense, a current and valid Illinois medical or dental temporary or permanent license. Any Resident/Fellow who does not possess a current and valid Illinois license will not be permitted to participate in any patient care activities, and will not receive any compensation for any period of time during which the Resident/Fellow is prohibited from working due to the absence of a license. Failure to obtain and maintain a license as required by this Agreement shall be cause for UCMC to terminate this Agreement immediately, and/or to take such other steps as UCMC shall deem necessary.
NRMP Requirement

Program directors must provide, in writing prior to the Rank Order List Certification Deadline, complete, timely, and accurate information to applicants, including:

- Programs shall provide a copy of the contract the applicant will be expected to sign if matched to the program if such contract is available, or a copy of the contract currently in use.

- Programs also must provide all institutional policies regarding eligibility for appointment to a residency position including visa or employment requirements.

Source “Match Policy: What Program Directors Need to Know” -

Sample Contract & Eligibility Requirements

Click Here For Sample Contract

Eligibility & Selection Requirements
Applicant Guidelines

No recording is permitted during interviews.