Community-Based Program with a Primary Care Focus

The Central Michigan University (CMU) College of Medicine offers a new Pediatric Residency program founded upon the strong training history of the region. Our experienced pediatric faculty actively train medical students, EM, and FM residents. In July 2022, our pediatric faculty will transition to core faculty. In this setting, pediatric residents will develop a strong foundation in pediatrics with skills to manage a robust medical home focusing on nutrition, well-being, mental health, coordination of care, and preventive care.

The primary site will be Covenant HealthCare, the referral center for pediatric patients in the northeastern 20 counties of Michigan with 20,000 emergency visits, 1000 pediatric admissions, a ten-bed PICU, and a 40-bed level II NICU. Close-knit teams allow direct resident-attending interactions, and residents provide the first line of care for pediatric patients in inpatient and outpatient settings. In addition, collaboration with the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship will strengthen residents’ confidence in assessing and managing common mental health issues that take place in pediatric offices.

Why Choose CMU?

- Outpatient community medicine and mental health focus.
- Night float system (no every 4th-night call).
- On-site CMU College of Medicine educational building with classrooms, state-of-the-art simulation lab, medical library, and communal spaces.
- Small, dedicated faculty provide directed mentorship.
- Opportunity for research and publishing.
- Outstanding inpatient pediatric experience.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Collaboration and integration with Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship.
- Residents will become Centering Parenting certified.
- Residents choose nine of their rotations.
- Rotations designed to experience variable models of medical homes for at-risk pediatric patients.

OUR RESIDENTS WILL

- Take an active role in the interview process and selection of incoming residency classes.
- Advocate for patients and access to quality care.
- Experience a multicultural environment and diverse backgrounds.
- Support each other’s wellness.

OUR FACULTY

- Are recipients of numerous teaching accolades from current learners, including medical students, Emergency Medicine (EM), and Family Medicine (FM) residents.
- Come from diverse personal and training backgrounds.
- Are active on the regional, state, and national level.
- Value a positive culture that promotes learning and individual well-being.

Pediatric Residency Program Leadership

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