# SPOKANE *FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENCY* CLERKSHIP INFORMATION

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Site Details:

Family Medicine Residency Spokane is an unopposed Family Medicine Residency Program, located in downtown Spokane, Washington. Since our inception in 1972, we have enjoyed an outstanding level of support from our geographic, medical, and economic communities.

We offer the best of both worlds, a strong academic presence by the University of Washington, as well as an abundance of clinical opportunities within our community. We have a stable practice, faculty, and staff, which optimize the education of our residents.

Our Commitment is to provide our residents with a comprehensive educational experience. We continually adapt our curriculum to prepare our graduates for not only the cognitive, but also the procedural demands of the well-trained contemporary family physician.

Faculty:

Stephenie Matosich, DO coordinates the student’s activities and serves as the key contact individual for the students while rotating with the program. The student will always be supervised by at least one faculty member or resident physician. Nancene Hendrickson is the initial contact person for the program and responsible for organizing the student’s scheduled activities.

Housing:

None

Transportation: Car required.

# PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS

Preparing for the clerkship:

1. Read all the clerkship materials
2. Email the Student Summary Sheet to Nancene Hendrickson at [nancene.hendrickson@providence.org](mailto:nancene.hendrickson@providence.org) as soon as possible.
3. Nancene will reach out at least two weeks prior to your rotation to make preliminary arrangements. If the clerkship is scheduled to begin on a holiday, ask whether you will be expected to work that day. The coordinator makes this decision. This is also an opportunity to ask any questions that you have after reading over the orientation manual and site description.

On Arrival:

At 8:30 am you will meet with Nancene Hendrickson, Site Coordinator at the 2nd floor patient waiting area. She will go over your schedule with you and provide a brief orientation of the building and key areas.

# CLINICAL WORK

In the Clinic:

You will work with several different physicians with one as your primary preceptor for each half-day. Most teaching is centered around the problems presented during the daily schedule in the ambulatory care setting.

With clinic patients you will usually take the initial history then present your findings and plan to your preceptor. Your preceptor will discuss each case with you and see the patient him/herself.

As the faculty determines your competency level and judgment, you will be allowed to assume more responsibility. You are expected to interrupt faculty with questions or areas of uncertainty. Students may participate in/observe procedures as they are available. Checking with Rachelle Bordner, MA on a daily basis is advised to assess the clinic's surgical and procedural activities. Students are to dictate or type one note per day regarding their patient visits. These notes will then be reviewed by the attending physician.

On-Call:

The focus of the clerkship is on full-scope family medicine combining inpatient medicine and continuity of care. There will be no evening, night, or weekend shift assignments however, the student has the option of taking an OB night call with one of their preceptors.

Hospital Rounds:

Students will round with the inpatient medicine team and the faculty on-call for hospital rounds during two weeks of the rotation. The family practice teaching service will introduce the student to the scope of problems managed by family physicians. Furthermore, students are encouraged to be available for hospital admits directly from the ambulatory care center. In these instances, the student should make an attempt to round on the patients they manage with the inpatient medicine rounding team. The student should be prepared to present patients they are involved with, including history and physical exam, lab, differential diagnosis, working diagnosis, and ultimate work-up and therapeutic plan.

Regular Conferences:

The student is required to participate in all the regular scheduled resident educational seminars. During the orientation on the first day of the rotation the student will be introduced to the schedule of weekly conferences. These typically occur on Thursday afternoons. Lunch is provided during noon conferences.

# OTHER CLERKSHIP RESOURCES

Our program offers the opportunity to participate in some top-notch specialty clinics such as GYN Clinic, Psychiatric Clinic, Musculoskeletal Clinic, and Group Visits with family medicine senior residents. If you desire a dynamic, broad based clerkship experience in Family Medicine, this is the place to get it!

# DRESS CODE

The basic objective of the clerkship is to give you first-person experience in being a family physician in the community. The best way to get this experience is to emulate the physicians with whom you work. The usual attire for physicians in our facility is a standard white lab coat over “business casual” (no jeans). It is required that you wear your UW nametag while working with our patients either in the clinic or at the hospital. Our patients have been told that students will be involved in their care.