Country Doctor Community Health Centers (CDCHC) is one of several federally qualified health center organizations in Seattle. Located in central Seattle, we have served low-income residents of the surrounding areas since 1971. CDCHC is made up of a network of clinics including two primary care sites (Country Doctor Community Clinic and Carolyn Downs Family Medical Center) a dental clinic, an After Hours (urgent care) Clinic, school-based clinics at Meany Middle School and Nova High School, and the Seattle STEP Clinic. 3rd year medical students have the opportunity to work at the Country Doctor Community Clinic (CDCC) and the After Hours Clinic.

Eight family practice physicians, and five nurse practitioners provide primary care at CDCC. The clinic provides full spectrum family medical care for a diverse patient population. As a result of our location and historical context, we are one of the principal providers of primary care to HIV+ patients in Seattle. We also strive to provide sensitive and affirming care to our LGBTQ community. We see a large number of immigrants and refugees. We use interpreter services for non-English speakers and have an in-house Spanish interpreter at all times.

3rd year medical students will have a primary preceptor during their 6 weeks with us and will work with 6 of us on a regular basis as preceptors. Students will shadow the family medicine attending on the inpatient service at Swedish First Hill one or two days during the clerkship. They will work with an attending on OB call for two to three shifts. They will also be encouraged to create continuity relationships with a couple of pregnant patients in the hopes that they can participate in the full circle of delivery and postpartum visits with those patients.

Medical students will have the opportunity to learn from an interdisciplinary team of care providers at our clinic. We have a diabetes specialist nurse, registered dietician, addiction medicine program, sexual health program, pharmacy consultants, and behavioral health team

CDCC is located on the corner of 19th & Republican on the east slope of Capitol Hill. Our clinic is walkable from stops on bus #12, 43, 48, 8, and 10. We are just under a mile from the Capitol Hill light rail station. Clinic starts with a morning huddle at 8:45am and closes most days at 5pm except on Tuesdays and Wednesdays when we have evening hours.

The family medicine clerkship site director is Tina Shereen. She will reach out to students prior to their start date with detailed information about logistics and expectations. She will also orient students on their first day. Our clinic uses Epic as our EHR, and students will receive Epic training on day one. Students will receive an email from our human resources department about 2 weeks prior to their start date with documents that need to be completed in order to establish Epic access.