Internal Medicine Residency Spokane Clinician-Teacher Fellowship 2024/25

**SETTING AND RATIONALE**

Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center, with about 700 staffed beds, is among the largest hospitals in the Pacific Northwest and provides an impressive breadth of clinical cases for medical education. These inpatient clinical opportunities are supplemented by a robust outpatient clinic at the multidisciplinary Spokane Teaching Health Center and further enhanced by an expanding educational mission in Eastern Washington with two medical schools located in Spokane. The opportunities are ideal for the motivated physician to expand and enhance clinical teaching in his or her professional role.

**CLINICIAN-TEACHER POSITION DESCRIPTION**

Internal Medicine Residency Spokane (IMRS) is a Spokane Teaching Health Center sponsored training program. There are two clinician-teacher positions each academic year (July – June). This position includes extensive clinical teaching activities and is an opportunity to expand skills in these areas while simultaneously developing additional academic, administrative, and leadership abilities. The position is an ideal opportunity for anyone who anticipates incorporating a teaching role into their long-term career plan.

**CLINICIAN-TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES**

**TEACHING/CLINICAL**

Teaching responsibilities center on attending on the inpatient service at Sacred Heart Medical Center for a minimum of 14 weeks and attending in the resident clinic on an intermittent basis averaging 2-3 half-days per week when not on the inpatient service. Weekend and night call are commensurate with the clinical workload. Both settings involve supervising residents, 3rd year medical students completing their core internal medicine clerkships and 4th year students rotating for a Sub-I. There is also an opportunity to do ½ day of personal clinic each week accompanied by a third-year medical student (or opportunity to precept a first-year medical student). Beyond the minimum requirements, flexibility exists with regard to the balance between clinical teaching workload, academic projects, and other teaching.

**ACADEMIC/ADMINISTRATIVE**

Scholarship and personal faculty development are important components of this position. Ample academic/administrative time is given to develop and complete academic projects (with mentoring from our core faculty), prepare and present at the noon teaching conference, and pursue other teaching activities (e.g., physical diagnosis rounds for medical students, journal club). Details of the full range of academic and administrative responsibilities can be tailored to a candidate’s long-term career plans.

**ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**

For the fellow who wishes to attend focused faculty development or leadership program during the year, IMRS provides support with arranging schedules to accommodate time away. In addition, each fellow has $4500 to provide monies for CME and dues which assists with funding for conferences. Some examples that former fellows have utilized include:

**http://www.academichospitalist.org/**

 Washington State Medical Association’s Physician Leadership course

**https://www.wsma.org/** (Under ‘Resources’ -> ‘Physician Leadership’)

CLIME (Center for Leadership and Innovation in Medical Education), a University of Washington program. <http://clime.washington.edu/>

Providence also sponsors a Leadership Course: If the candidate has an interest in an alternative leadership or faculty development program, we are willing to discuss this at the time of acceptance into the program. Other training that past fellows have pursued include such focus areas as point-of-care ultrasound and substance use disorders. Training can be tailored to enhance the fellow’s long term career plans.

**BENEFITS**

The 2024-25 stipend for this position is $111, 436 minimum with an additional food allowance at Sacred Heart Medical Center. The stipend is supplemented by on-call pay (for night and weekend coverage) that amounts to approximately $10,000. IMRS provides office space.

The fellow receives 6 weeks of vacation/CME for the year.

Other benefits include $5000 to be used for membership dues (ACP, SGIM, hospital medicine memberships are common), and CME support commensurate with other core faculty positions to offset costs for faculty or leadership development or specialty meetings.

Providence provides major medical, dental, basic life, accident, and long-term disability insurance as well as partial dependent coverage. State licensure and DEA costs are provided to the fellow as is malpractice insurance.

**MOONLIGHTING OPPORTUNITIES**

Providence has a large IM hospitalist service which provides numerous moonlighting opportunities for the fellow to gain additional patient care experience. Schedules must be coordinated with IMRS and the IMRS Program Director for moonlighting requests.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

Completed internal medicine residency in good standing by the start of the fellowship.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

Please submit the following:

* Letter of intent describing scholarly interests, commitment to teaching, and general career trajectory. Please provide details of two academic projects you want to accomplish during your year as a fellow – examples could include projects that tie your scholarly interests to curriculum development, quality improvement, or some other area that would contribute to the overall educational mission of a residency program.
* 2 letters of recommendation with specific comments on applicant’s teaching aptitude. For outside applicants, please include a letter of recommendation from your Program Director.
* Current CV

**APPLICATION**

Application deadline is June 30. Interviews will be scheduled between July 8 through July 16 with notification prior to July 18. Virtual interviews can be scheduled.

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