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East Pierce Family Medicine is a dually-accredited residency program in Puyallup, Washington. We are firmly committed to teaching residents, medical students, nurse practitioner students, and other health care professionals. This devotion to lifelong learning is evident in the design of our practice, involvement by students on in-patient and out-patient rotations, and the structured approach that we take to delivering health care.

FOURTH YEAR CLERKSHIPS

We accept both allopathic and osteopathic medical students in their fourth year of training. Although we do accept third year clerkships, this is infrequent.

Family Medicine clerkships are largely out-patient, with the opportunity to take call, do in-patient work, and participate in procedures.

Clerkships at EPFM are a collaborative process, between our organization and the medical school. We will provide experiences that are consistent with the expectations of the medical school. Conversely, schools will provide us with clear objectives and goals, evaluation methods, and proof of malpractice insurance. This is all defined in the memorandum of understanding which is signed by both the school and our program.



SCHEDULING A CLERKSHIP



All medical students requesting a clerkship at EPFM should submit an application form. As we receive more applications than we can accommodate, a selection process is

in-place to find spots for those whose interests most align with our program.

Our rotations are generally four-weeks in length. Shorter rotations are rarely provided, as they don't provide sufficient exposure to adequately evaluate a student.

Please visit our website <http://www.multicare.org/epfm-medical-students> to download an application.

ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS FOR ROTATIONS AT EPFM

Medical students will be exposed to a wide-range of patients, including the full range of ages and medical issues, as well as obstetrics and procedures. This may include both in-patient and out-patient experiences, but we expect that the majority of education will be out-patient based.

Medical students will be expected to demonstrate a high degree of self-motivation, intellectual curiosity, and come prepared with a knowledge base sufficient to address the wide range of patients typical to a busy primary care practice.

In preparation for a rotation, students will need to arrange the rotation with our residency coordinator. Preparation for a rotation will include verifying malpractice coverage and a formal agreement between the medical school and MultiCare Health System. The school will also be responsible for sending specific goals and objectives for the rotation as well as corresponding evaluation tools.