

Pediatric Diabetes APP Fellowship

Cases of type 1 diabetes, type 2 diabetes and prediabetes are dramatically increasing in New Mexico. Currently there are two pediatric diabetes programs in the state, both in Albuquerque. Nationwide, there is a critical shortage of pediatric endocrinologists with interest in diabetes.

The APP postgraduate ambulatory pediatric diabetes fellowship program was implemented with the purpose of meeting the needs of the pediatric diabetes population. The 12-month program combines supervised clinical experiences with didactics in all areas of diabetes management and follows the American Diabetes Association Standards of Care for diabetes. The program utilizes a multiple disciplinary model with focus areas including physiology and disease process of the many different types of diabetes, treatment options, diabetes technology, medical nutritional therapy, cultural sensitivity, prevention of complications and overcoming barriers to care.

Clinicals Rotations:

The multidisciplinary model includes clinical rotations in:

- Pediatric primary care
- Cystic Fibrosis clinic
- Pediatric Endocrinology Clinic (endocrine disorders other than diabetes)
- Adolescent reproductive health
- Inpatient Pediatric Diabetes Education
- Outpatient Pediatric Diabetes Education
- Outpatient Adult Diabetes Education
- Ambulatory Adult Diabetes Clinic
- Survivorship Clinic (post cancer treatment)

Didactics:

The program includes weekly didactic training. Didactics include webinars from the American Diabetes Association, bimonthly endo ECHO presentations and case studies, UNM grand rounds, American Diabetes Association Scientific Sessions, principals of teaching and learning, health literacy, teach back, motivational interviewing and one week of diabetes camp. During the program, the APP fellow completes a quality improvement practicum and facilitates presentations related to pediatric diabetes to peers during the 12-month program.

Certification:

By the end of the 12-month program, the APP fellow will sit for the BC-ADM exam. They will feel confident in their clinical skills, documentation and billing, and maintain a passion for learning and continue to explore new research and technologies.

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