MEDICAL STUDENT ROTATIONS AT THE MOUNT SINAI BETH ISRAEL RESIDENCY IN URBAN FAMILY MEDICINE

Medical students and residents who would like to do a rotation at our program or apply for residency are invited to apply to our program for month-long rotations. Medical students are welcome to rotate on our family medicine inpatient service and in our family practice teaching center. We are proud to be a provider of full scope family medicine and primary care in lower Manhattan, providing services for our patients as well as rich teaching opportunities for our residents and students. In addition to routine family practice, our scope of practice includes full spectrum women’s reproductive health care, integrative medicine, minor procedures, adolescent health care (at a high school-based health center), colposcopy, group prenatal care, osteopathic manipulations, HIV/AIDS, health care for the homeless, inpatient services, and more. All of our programs focus on caring for the diverse communities of New York City, particularly those which are medically underserved.

**Overall:** The rotation is four weeks long, with two weeks on the inpatient service, and two weeks in the outpatient center. Below is a further description of the rotation components.

**Inpatient Service:** On the inpatient service, rotating students work as an integral part of the health care team caring for patients under the guidance of senior residents and attending physicians. Students will gain exposure to the care of adult patients with chronic illnesses such as diabetes and coronary artery disease, inpatient care of HIV/AIDS, and care of underserved populations. Our inpatient service is distinct in the variety of patients we serve, in terms of medical diagnosis, socioeconomic status, and cultural diversity.

All rotating medical students will receive a call schedule from the Chief Resident. While rotating on the inpatient service students will be on call one weekend day and one day weekly (no overnight call).

**Outpatient:** At the family practice teaching centers, medical students will work in conjunction with residents and attendings to provide primary care to ambulatory clinic patients. We care for adults, children, women and pregnant patients. Students will primarily work with various providers at 16 East 16th Street, in the Sidney Hillman / Phillips Family Practice, the ambulatory teaching center for our department. In addition, students may rotate through our women’s health clinic, procedure clinic, and homeless sites. All of this patient care occurs in lower Manhattan. Clinical times may include some evening sessions with “payback” during daytime hours.

**Obstetrics in Family Medicine:** Students have the opportunity to participate in deliveries supervised by family medicine attendings with advanced skills in obstetrics and family medicine residents. Students may also participate in post-partum care in the outpatient. We are the only site in Manhattan offering group prenatal care and one of the few teaching sites in the nation teaching obstetrics in this model.
Due to the diversity of our offerings, it is useful to know the interests of individual students. A survey is attached to the application to assess each student’s goals for the rotation to allow us to have a better sense of the goals of each visiting student. All rotating medical students participate in Wednesday afternoon teaching conferences and weekly Grand Rounds. There also is a weekly medical student lecture on Thursday afternoon.

**Application Process:** We are very excited about the number of medical students interested in rotating at our program. Due to the significant amount of interest we are not able to accommodate all applicants.

Medical students who would like to rotate at our program can apply within 12 months of the start date of the rotation period. Acceptances are rolling, so the sooner the application is received, the more likely the student will be able to rotate at their chosen time. Given planning time, we ask that applications be submitted 3 months prior to the rotation start date.

For medical students enrolled in U.S. medical schools, we use the VSAS system hosted by the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. Begin the process by going to: [https://sap.mssm.edu/elective/courses/descript2.cfm?cnum=356](https://sap.mssm.edu/elective/courses/descript2.cfm?cnum=356)

For medical students not in a U.S. medical school, the VSAS system may not be available. Please check on [http://icahn.mssm.edu/education/student-resources/electives/foreign-visiting-students](http://icahn.mssm.edu/education/student-resources/electives/foreign-visiting-students).

Please note, applications outside of the VSAS system may be processed more slowly, and may need more than the three-month lead time. For more information, you can also email jeanneth.persaud@mssm.edu.

**Selection Process:** Priority will be given to those students documenting an interest in Family Medicine as well as those who demonstrate a commitment to our department’s values or interest in the unique training opportunities we offer (which often cannot be obtained at a student’s home institution). We value diversity and encourage applications from members of underrepresented groups. We accept up to three visiting medical students per period.

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