Optometry Residency in Ocular Disease at the University of Chicago Department of Ophthalmology

Category: Ocular Disease

Offering advanced clinical training in ocular diagnosis and management through patient care, education, and scholarship.

- Program Site: University of Chicago, Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Science
- Program Coordinator: Pathik Amin, OD, FAAO (ppamin@bsd.uchicago.edu)
- Residency Director: Christine Allison, OD, FAAO
- Number of Positions: 1
- **Program Dates:** 53 weeks, starting July 1. There will be a 1 week of overlap between residents.
- Accredited, ACOE is the accrediting body, <u>www.theACOE.org</u>
- ORMatch: 40514

Program Description

A 53-week hospital-based optometric residency at the University of Chicago providing advanced clinical training in ocular disease diagnosis and management. This residency involves a unique opportunity to train in a collaborative optometry/ophthalmology clinical setting. The resident will learn the intricacies of systemic based eye care and the importance of communication among medical specialties. Clinical experience will include adult and pediatric ocular disease, consult/urgent care, and rotations with ophthalmology sub-specialists. Additional education will be provided through weekly grand rounds, didactic lectures, symposiums, and journal clubs.

Residents completing the program will gain the necessary experience to:

- Pursue professional and multi-disciplinary opportunities requiring a high-level of expertise in medical eye care.
- Serve as educators and researchers in academic settings.
- Serve the profession of optometry as experts and leaders in the area of ocular disease management.

Program Design

The resident will participate in the following rotations:

- Adult Ocular Disease (28 hours/week)
- Consult/Urgent Care (4 hours/week)
- Ophthalmology Sub-Specialty (4 hours/week, rotating bi-monthly)
- Optometry Seminar (1-2 hours/week)
- Ophthalmology Grand Rounds (1 hour/week)
- Personal Development (3-4 hours/week)

The resident will provide outpatient urgent/consult coverage during business hours. The resident will also have the opportunity to work alongside the consult ophthalmology resident during inpatient rounds.

The University of Chicago has a full complement of OMD sub-specialists. The resident will able to customize their sub-specialty rotations, choosing from: Glaucoma, Retina, Cornea, Neuro-Ophthalmology, Pediatrics, and Oculoplastics.

There are no mandatory after-hour on-call responsibilities. If interested, the resident has the option to pair up with an ophthalmology resident for weekend call.

Educational Conferences

Education will be provided through weekly grand rounds, didactic, lectures, symposiums, and journal clubs.

- Weekly Optometry Seminars
- Weekly Ophthalmology Grand Rounds
- Resident Education Events at ICO

Salary

\$40,000 per year

Benefits

Benefits include eligibility to participate in medical and dental insurance programs, professional liability insurance, vacation, paid sick leave, and a travel allowance to attend optometric conferences.

Criteria for Completion

- Successful completion of all clinical assignments
- Attendance and participation at weekly education conferences
- A written paper of publishable quality, completed by the end of the residency period

Acknowledgement of Completion

A certificate is presented upon successful completion of the program.

For More Information

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