Family Medicine Residency Program
Mercy Medical Center – Des Moines
Welcome to the Mercy Family Medicine Residency Program

Primary care is one of the most challenging and ever-changing disciplines in medicine. The physicians of Mercy Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa, have worked to develop one of the nation’s most comprehensive and enriching educational programs – the Mercy Family Medicine Residency Program.

The three-year program emphasizes a close working relationship between residents and an exceptional team of faculty physicians, managers, ancillary personnel and associate faculty physicians. Because each of these professionals understands the crucial value of residency, the Mercy program stresses developing you as a doctor and a professional by providing hands-on training throughout your residency.

In addition to an unsurpassed educational experience, we provide attractive stipends, complimentary meals, a housing allowance, personal digital assistant and several references – all vital tools in the successful practice of family medicine.

Through these and many other benefits, we believe the Mercy Family Medicine Residency Program offers you the best opportunity to master family medicine and succeed in your future medical endeavors.

Come join us!

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Program Director, Mercy Family Medicine Residency Program

Residency Program Highlights

Program Offerings

To equip residents with exceptional expertise in primary care medicine, the Mercy program focuses on a close, continuous working relationship between Mercy faculty physicians and residents. This assures each resident receives:

- A curriculum covering all medical specialties and subspecialties
- Enhanced education facilitated through coordinated educational efforts and routine sharing of knowledge
- The opportunity to choose electives, which are arranged with each individual resident
- Academic enrichment through a lecture series
- Elective programs with associated rural hospitals
- The knowledge and skills to provide comprehensive, cost-effective health care to their patients and families regardless of diagnosis, sex, age or other factors
- The ability to incorporate disease prevention and health maintenance into the care of their patients
- Assistance and training to effectively coordinate all health care services received by patients and their families
- Community resources to improve the health care delivery system

Clinical Training

The Mercy Family Medicine Residency Program includes:

- A concentrated study of all disciplines that contribute to the practice of family medicine
- Extensive procedural training
- Direct, hands-on experiences that equip residents to provide high-quality patient care in an evolving health care environment

Because Mercy is a regional tertiary care hospital, you will be involved in caring for complex medical cases. As a result, you will develop close working relationships with physicians and staff from many specialty areas while you maintain primary responsibility for your patients’ health care.

If your patients require hospitalization, you and a faculty physician will admit them to Mercy Medical Center. Throughout a patient’s hospitalization, you will have access to all specialty consultation services. The faculty is readily available to offer education, guidance and support so you can provide optimal levels of patient care.
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Hospital & Clinic Highlights

- 802-bed acute care, not-for-profit Catholic hospital situated on three campuses (Mercy Medical Center – Des Moines, Mercy Medical Center – West Lakes and Mercy Franklin) all within 10 minutes of each other.

- High-volume Level II Trauma Center.

- Expansive affiliated multi-specialty clinic system.

- One of the Midwest’s largest referral centers, offering a wide variety of specialty services.

- Mercy and Iowa Heart Center combine the region’s leading cardiologists and surgeons with the state’s leading cardiovascular hospital.

- Member, Iowa Oncology Research Association Alliance for Clinical Trials in Oncology.

- Medical staff of more than 800 physicians and allied health professionals.

- Diverse patient population with 15,600 hours of interpretation services provided annually.

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