



GERIATRIC MEDICINE FELLOWSHIP

The goal of the geriatric fellowship is to provide training and experiences to enhance the knowledge and skills of physicians in geriatric medicine, which include the following

- Extensive training in the care of the geriatric patient from the healthy to the frail
- Extensive training in the variety of venues in which the geriatric patient receives medical care – ambulatory sites, the home, the nursing facility, the hospital – with special attention placed on maintaining the functional health of the patient
- Special knowledge and skills to become educators of other health professionals in geriatric care
- Administrative skills required to manage geriatric programs in the community, assisted living, and long-term care environments
- Experience in writing grants, and performing research with abstracts, papers and presentations at scientific meetings.

INSTITUTIONS

- Sparrow Health System
- Michigan State University College of Human Medicine & College of Osteopathic Medicine
- Ingham County Medical Care Facility
- Geriatric Education Center of Michigan at Michigan State University

FACULTY

The geriatric program at Sparrow/MSU comprises an interdisciplinary group of health professionals including nurse practitioners, nutritionists, mental health specialists, and rehabilitation therapists as well as medical specialists in geriatrics brought together through the Geriatric Education Center of Michigan.

The family medicine and internal medicine faculty are board-certified geriatricians who have patients in assisted living facilities, adult foster care, and traditional home settings that the fellow follows under attending supervision.

TO APPLY

For more information or to request an application for the Geriatrics Fellowship, please contact the Sparrow Residency Office at marcie.powers@sparrow.org.



CURRICULUM

The Geriatric Fellowship is composed of thirteen 4-week block rotations integrated with longitudinal continuity of care experiences. Block rotations include the following:

- Subacute rehabilitation and long term care at the Ingham County Medical Care Facility (ICMCF). This experience may also include a mentoring experience with faculty who serve as Medical Directors in long term care.
- Ambulatory care. This experience includes primary care for elderly patients and consultative comprehensive geriatric assessment. It may include the opportunity to work with neurologists in the Memory Disorders Clinic and the Movement Disorders Clinic at Michigan State University.
- Inpatient Geriatrics at Sparrow Hospital
- Hospice/Palliative Care
- Geriatric Psychiatry (including both inpatient and outpatient care)
- Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- Elective rotations – two four-week blocks of the fellow's choice from a variety of subspecialties.

Longitudinal continuity of care experiences include one half day each week of the following:

- Long term care will be provided for a panel of between 8-12 residents at the Ingham County Medical Care Facility (ICMCF).
- A geriatric continuity of care clinic located at either Michigan State University or Sparrow Health System.
- A primary care continuity experience (either Family Medicine or Internal Medicine clinic).
- Weekly didactic sessions are based on the Geriatric Review Syllabus: these sessions review the geriatric syndromes, diseases and disorders commonly seen in the elderly, geriatric psychiatry and care for the elderly. Journal Club is held monthly.

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