Traditional Rotating Internship Program

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The RCRMC Osteopathic Traditional Rotating Internship Program provides a well-rounded clinical and didactic training program for nine interns each year. The curriculum is structured to fulfill all the requirements set by the AOA while still allowing for specialized training of interest to the individual interns. The program is currently approved and funded for nine positions with three positions reserved for applicants interested in the RCRMC Anesthesia Residency Program and three positions reserved for applicants interested in the RCRMC Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program. The remaining three positions are open to be filled by any applicant wishing to participate in an internship of this type regardless of what residency program the applicant will eventually participate in.

Schedule
Each rotation block is four weeks long for 13 rotation blocks per year. The blocks are distributed as follows:

- Internal Medicine: 3 blocks
- Family Medicine: 1 block
- Emergency Medicine: 1 block
- Ob-Gyn: 1 block
- Pediatrics: 1 block
- General Surgery: 1 block
- Surgical Intensive Care Unit: 1 block
- Electives: 4 blocks

Weekly schedules are, for the most part, determined by the specific service to which an intern is assigned. However, all interns are required to participate in daily noon educational conferences and a monthly lecture in Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine and Treatment. The RCRMC Traditional Rotating Internship Program has incorporated the seven core competencies set forth by the AOA. As mandated by the AOA, each core competency will be measured and mastered. These measured “Core Competencies” are: Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine, Philosophy and Practice; Medical Knowledge; Patient Care; Interpersonal and Communication Skills; Professionalism; Practice-based Learning and Improvement; and, Systems-Based Practice.

The program supports and enforces adherence to the AOA policy on resident work hours and, for this reason, interns work no more than 80 hours per week, and are on call no more than every third night with one 24 hour period free from all responsibilities for every week worked. Intern work hours are monitored on a weekly basis and any violations are reported to the DME and the appropriate rotation supervisor.

How to apply
Candidates must apply utilizing the Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS http://www.aamc.org/audienceeras.htm) and must register to participate in the match process (http://www.natmatch.com/aoairp/).

- Intern recruitment at RCRMC shall be conducted according to the policies and procedures of the AOA IRRP, and all appointments shall be made through this program. RCRMC shall not attempt to impose local requirements to supersede the IRRP.
- Admission to the RCRMC Traditional Rotating Internship shall not be influenced by race, sex, religion, creed, national origin, age, handicap, sexual orientation or veteran status.
- The RCRMC Traditional Rotating Internship program shall enroll only graduates of AOA-accredited colleges of osteopathic medicine.
- RCRM and all associated internship and residency programs shall be members of an AOA approved OPTI.

Applicants must meet the following requirements:
- Have graduated from an AOA-accredited college of osteopathic medicine and be and remain members in good standing of the AOA.
- Have successfully completed COMLEX-USA Level 1 and COMLEX-USA Level 2 examinations.

If selected for participation in the Internship Program the candidate must also meet all County of Riverside hiring requirements including, but not limited to, completion of a pre-employment physical including drug screen and successfully undergo a Department of Justice background check.