

Huntington Hospital Internal Medicine FAQs

What about fellowships?

Huntington Hospital has an excellent match rate for fellowships. Over the last 5 years, 100% of residents that have applied have successfully matched in the fellowship of their choice.

What is the patient mix like at Huntington Hospital?

We see patients with a variety of diagnoses and socioeconomic backgrounds. About 70% of the patients that our residents care for are indigent, uninsured or Medi-Cal (Medicaid). Huntington residents see pathology, rare complications of common diseases, and rare diseases as often as do residents in university-based programs. The remaining 30% of patients seen by our residents have insurance. The care that both of these groups of patients receive, and the autonomy that the residents have in giving that care, is identical. Residents exercise 100% of the control over management of all their patients.

What will my call schedule be?

The call schedule is every 8th night when on medicine service, and averages every 12th night on other services. Adjustments to the 2011 ACGME Duty Hour requirements have been made by adding a float service with a 4 days on, 4 days off schedule. Most residents find our call schedule very reasonable which affords them excellent work life balance.

What is a call night like?

The on-call team consists of a resident, an intern, and a medical student. In addition to admissions, the residents also cover all codes in the hospital, providing them extensive experience in procedures including central lines and intubations.

What are the opportunities for research?

Residents can do clinical research with Huntington faculty at the Huntington Medical Research Institute or with other private clinical research programs locally. Residents interested in bench research can collaborate with researchers at neighboring Cal-Tech or at USC. Each resident is expected to complete a publishable research project as a graduation requirement.

What are the opportunities for outpatient experiences?

The Huntington Outpatient Clinic was created 100 years ago to provide primary and sub-specialty care to the medically underserved members of our community. Residents have a weekly half-day medicine clinic in which they serve as the primary care doctor for a panel of patients that they will care for throughout their 3 years of residency.

What opportunities are there for global medicine?

Residents have an opportunity to participate in Huntington's Phil Simon Clinic Tanzania Project in which medical volunteers travel to Arusha, Tanzania to provide medical care to adults and children with HIV and other illnesses.