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About Us

The Mississippi Delta Family Medicine Residency Program is a new community-based program sponsored by the Mississippi Medical Education and Research Consortium (MSMERC) located in Greenville, Mississippi. ACGME accredited in 2019, the residency is the first Graduate Medical Education (GME) training program developed under the guidance and leadership of the Consortium.

Our program's mission is to "produce caring, well-rounded, competent family physicians" who will provide medical service that is sensitive to the state's rural and underserved citizens. Our first class of residents will start in July 2020. Each year, up to eight PGY-1 residents are welcomed into our three-year academic program.

The residency's primary site is Delta Regional Medical Center (DRMC) in Greenville, and other sites include, South Sunflower County Hospital in nearby Indianola, and the Spence and Becky Wilson Baptist Children's Hospital in Memphis.

Required rotations include adult and pediatric inpatient, newborn medicine, ICU, ER, surgery, OB/GYN, and dermatology. Elective training opportunities include anesthesiology, cardiology, gastroenterology, nephrology, ophthalmology, radiology, and urology.

DRMC's West Campus (the former King's Daughters Hospital) serves as the site of the program's continuity clinic. Residents will be assigned their own panel of clinic patients, whom they follow throughout their three years in the Program.

Residents will be trained by experienced, board certified faculty and community attending physicians from throughout the Mississippi Delta area who have extensive experience in the practice of rural medicine.

We care for many underserved patients in our offices and hospitals. As residents, you will learn the competencies and skills required to practice family medicine that is of high quality in spite of challenged settings. Additionally, our residents learn the principals of population health and have opportunities for scholarly activities that describe and address the challenges related to providing quality care to vulnerable populations.

Thank you, for your interest in our program. I hope you will take the opportunity to visit, meet our faculty, and speak with our residents as we work toward transforming healthcare in the Mississippi Delta.

Sincerely,

Evelyn R. Walker, MD, MPH
Program Director

Application Process

The Mississippi Delta Family Medicine Residency Program offers eight positions for a categorical three-year training track. To be eligible for the program, applicants must be either a United States citizen or hold a "green card". We currently do not sponsor any visas. All applicants are required to apply using the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) **Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS)** application process. Applications submitted via mail, email or fax will not be processed.

We participate in the **National Residency Matching Program (NRMP)**. Please register with NRMP if you wish to be matched with our program.

Information Needed to Apply on ERAS

- ERAS Common Application Form
- Curriculum vitae
- Medical school transcripts
- Dean's Letter of Medical Student Performance Evaluation (MSPE)
- A minimum of three Letters of Recommendation (Note: One Letter of Recommendation should be submitted from a family medicine physician or primary care provider)
- Personal statement
- Photograph
- United States Medical Licensing Exam (USMLE) and/or Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Licensing Exam (COMLEX) transcripts, as applicable
- If any required documents are in a language other than English, an English translation of the document must be provided

NRMP Program Information

State:	Mississippi
City:	Greenville
Program Name:	Mississippi Delta Family Medicine Residency Program
ACGME ID:	1202700561
Training Track:	Categorical
NRMP Code:	2253120CO

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Interviews and Appointments

Applications must be submitted through the **Electronic Residency Application Service** (ERAS) and are reviewed from September through January. Interviews occur October through February. You will be notified if you have been granted an interview.

The program selects from among eligible applicants on the basis of residency program-related criteria including preparedness, ability, aptitude, academic credentials (including graduation date), communication skills, and personal qualities such as motivation and integrity. The Program will give preference to candidates with medical school graduation dates within three years of application.

Our residency prohibits discrimination based on race, national origin, age, genetic or family medical history, gender, faith, gender identity, and expression as well as sexual orientation. The program also encourages applications from individuals with disabilities and veterans.

Travel and Directions

From Jackson International Airport: Get on I-20 West in Pearl Street from International Drive and MS-475/Airport Road; Follow I-20, US 49 N and US-49W N to MS-12 West in Belzoni; Turn left onto MS-12 W; Turn right on US 61 N; Continue on MS-438 W. Take MS-1N and Main Exit to South Washington Avenue in Greenville.

From Memphis International Airport: Follow Winchester Road to US-61 S/S3rd St; Follow US-61 S to S Washington Avenue in Greenville; Drive to 300 S. Washington Avenue.

Greenville Mid-Delta Airport: Head northeast on Fifth Avenue toward Airport Blvd; Turn left onto Airport Blvd; Continue straight onto Broadway Extended; Continue onto N Broadway St; Turn left onto Washington St; Make a U-Turn at W. Starling St. Destination will be on your right.

Appointments

Applicants who successfully match with our residency must provide the following documentation prior to the start of the program:

- Official medical school transcript with degree issued and date of issuance
- Copy of medical school diploma
- Copy of social security card
- Copy of current driver's license
- Copies of current Basic Life Support (BLS), Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS), Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS), and Neonatal Resuscitation (NRP) certification (Advanced Life Support in Obstetrics (ALSO) certification only if completed prior to starting residency)
- If required documentation is in different names, then proof of name change (i.e. marriage certificate or court document) must be provided
- If any required documents are in a language other than English, then an English translation of the documents must be provided
- In addition, applicants must successfully complete all program pre-employment requirements prior to the appointment date. Failure to provide any required documents or to successfully complete all pre-employment requirements by the date of appointment will result in automatic withdrawal from the program.

Curriculum

The Mississippi Delta Family Medicine Residency Program offers the following curriculum:

PGY-1

- Family Medicine Foundations: 4 weeks
- Family Medicine Inpatient Service (Day Team): 16 weeks
- Emergency Medicine: 4 weeks
- Pulmonary Medicine: 4 weeks
- General Surgery: 4 weeks
- Ophthalmology: 4 weeks
- Family Medicine Clinic: 4 weeks
- Obstetrics: 4 weeks
- Pediatric Inpatient or Pediatric Emergency Medicine Service: 4 weeks
- Community Health: 4 weeks

PGY-2

- Family Medicine Inpatient Service (Night Float): 4 weeks
- Family Medicine Inpatient Service (Day Team): 4 weeks
- Orthopedic Medicine: 4 weeks
- Emergency Medicine: 4 weeks
- Cardiology: 4 weeks
- Elective: 4 weeks
- ICU: 4 weeks
- Urology: 4 weeks
- Pediatric Ambulatory: 4 weeks
- Elective: 4 weeks
- Family Medicine Clinic: 4 weeks
- Gynecology: 4 weeks
- Pediatric Inpatient or Emergency Medicine: 4 weeks

PGY-3

- Family Medicine Inpatient Service (Night Float): 4 weeks
- Family Medicine Inpatient Service (Day Team): 4 weeks
- Gastrointestinal Services: 4 weeks
- ICU: 4 weeks
- Radiology: 4 weeks
- Systems & Case Management: 4 weeks
- Elective: 8 weeks
- Pediatric Ambulatory: 4 weeks
- Mental Health: 4 weeks
- Sports Medicine: 4 weeks
- Obstetrics: 4 weeks
- Community Health: 4 weeks

Program Benefits

Salary Package

PGY-1	\$52,500
PGY-2	\$54,000
PGY-3	\$56,000

Vacation/PTO/Sick Days

10 days per year

CME Days

5 days per year

Education Allowance

PGY-1	\$800
PGY-2	\$1,500
PGY-3	\$1,500

In addition to salary, the residency provides:

- Health insurance
- Dental insurance
- Life insurance
- Medicine malpractice
- Individual medical insurance
- State license fees
- DEA fees
- Membership dues to the American Academy of Family Physicians and Mississippi Academy of Family Physicians
- Free parking at the main clinic
- Meal allowances while on hospital duty

Residents will also have the option to purchase benefits including:

- Long-term disability
- Short-term disability

A full summary of benefits is provided to candidates on interview day.

Core Faculty and Staff (TBA)

Training Locations

Residents receive clinical training at the following locations. Residents also obtain education and training from a number of physicians in the private and public sectors for specialty rotations.



Delta Regional Medical Center (DRMC) is the primary site for the residency program and is a publicly owned general medical and surgical facility licensed for 325 beds. It provides Level III emergency trauma service and short-term acute care in both inpatient and outpatient settings. Patients receive care through home health and hospice, outpatient rehab, physician and surgery clinics, and other levels of service.

GME teaching rotations include: Cardiology, Community Health, Emergency Medicine, Family Medicine Clinic, Family Medicine Foundations, Family Medicine Inpatient, Family Medicine Night Float, GI Services, Gynecology, ICU, Mental Health, Ophthalmology, Orthopedic Medicine, Pediatrics, Pulmonary Medicine, Radiology, Surgery, Systems & Case Management, Sports Medicine, and Urology.



South Sunflower County Hospital is a 49-bed general acute public hospital with three Rural Family Practice clinics and one surgical unit. Recently renovated, its service lines include Swing Bed Unit, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Podiatry, Behavioral Health, Pain Management, ENT Services, and Wound Care Center. Graduate Medical Education teaching rotations include Gynecology and Obstetrics.



The Delta Health Center (DHC) is the site of the program's community health rotation. Residents will have the opportunity to work with DHC's family medical team of internists, family physicians, family nurse practitioners, registered nurses, and licensed practical nurses.



The Spence and Becky Wilson Baptist Children's Hospital, located in Memphis, features a pediatric emergency room, an advanced pediatric intensive care unit (PICU), inpatient rooms, and outpatient diagnostics and surgeries. First and second year residents will spend two block rotations at this site, completing four weeks of Pediatrics inpatient care and four weeks of pediatrics emergency room care.

Residency Orientation

Residency orientation is designed to help prepare residents to successfully manage the clinical responsibilities of their internship year. Orientation activities include:

- Reviewing professionalism standards, the Code of Conduct, and other critical residency policies and procedures

- An overview of the rotation evaluation and feedback process
- Competency training on the electronic medical record (EMR) and residency program management software

A secondary, but equally important, objective of residency orientation is to have fun and build relationships. Residency can be a very challenging time. We are committed to enhancing resident wellness and fostering work/life balance. Orientation will incorporate talks and activities, as well as provide resources.

Resident Wellness

The Family Medicine Residency Program is committed to creating a supportive learning environment and culture of wellness for residents that equips them with skills needed to support their own physical, mental, behavioral and spiritual health. Our faculty and staff understand that placing a priority on mental health enables healthcare professionals to better take care of themselves and their patients.

Our wellness initiatives include:

Residency Annual Retreat

The Family Medicine Residency Program hosts a full-day annual retreat in the spring. Residents are excused from all clinical duties during this time. The retreat provides an opportunity for residents to meet in one location, get to know one another, and socialize in a non-clinic setting. Residents are encouraged to discuss their experiences over the year and offer suggestions for changes.

Financial Counseling

Each fall, the program brings in a financial counselor for informal discussions with interested residents. Topics include budgeting, debt management, and financial planning. Online career and finance information tools are also available.

Peer Mentoring

The program pairs each intern with a PGY-2 resident as part of our “big sib/little-sib” mentoring program. The big brother’s/big sister’s function is to ease the transition to residency by providing social and academic support.

Resident Advisors

The Program Director assigns a family medicine faculty advisor to each resident for the duration of her or his training. Your advisor will monitor your training progress and provide guidance in clinical and scholarly pursuits throughout residency.

Staff Meet and Greet

During orientation, the Family Medicine Program nurses organize a social event with residents to establish relationships among team members for the upcoming academic year.

Resident Wellness Day

Each year, the program plans a dedicated day to wellness, based on the interests of the current residents. The Wellness Day covers topics ranging from financial planning to meditation/mindfulness and group exercise.

Group Wellness Events

The program schedules group wellness events to encourage residents to relax and connect with one another outside of the workplace. Events include: potlucks hosted by the faculty, movie dinners, and monthly holiday celebrations.

If there are any questions you have that are not answered on this page or on our website, please email Lee Ann Bowlin, residency Program Coordinator at lbowlin@deltaregional.com.



Community Highlights

Greenville is best known for its musicians and fertile soils. As the county seat of Washington County, Greenville offers unique dining experiences and is the home to dozens of local restaurants. Other highlights include scenic walking trails, fishing, golfing, bird watching, food festivals, and seasonal farmers markets.

The Mississippi Delta Blues & Heritage Festival, which began in 1977, is now the largest blues festival in the Delta and the oldest in the U.S. Always held on the 3rd Saturday in September, the festival features blues artists from home and across the country.

Nearby Indianola is the site of the celebrated B.B. King Museum, and popular Crown Restaurant. Neighboring Cleveland, is home to the 28,000 sq. ft. Grammy Museum which features a dynamic combination of public events, educational programming, engaging multimedia presentations, and interactive permanent and traveling exhibits.

The city of Greenwood, about 60 miles northeast of Greenville, is the home of the Viking Cooking School, Williams Landing Winery, and the award-winning Alluvian Hotel. The Mississippi Blues Trail, a work in progress of the Mississippi Blues Commission, will consist of more than 100 historical markers (seven located within Greenwood) throughout the state.

To learn more about the area, check out attractions at: <https://visitgreenville.org/things-to-do/>, <https://visitmississippi.org/eat-stay-play-indianola/>, https://www.visitgreenwood.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Greenwood_Visitor_s_Guide.pdf