

Florida/USVI Poison Information Center-Jacksonville

Specialty Residency/Fellowship Program Clinical Toxicology/Emergency Medicine

The Program

This program will serve to educate and provide practical experiential training for the resident in aspects of those subspecialties (emergency medicine, adult and pediatric care, clinical toxicology and poison information) necessary for the development of expertise in diagnostic procedures, triage, initial and subsequent therapeutic management, and monitoring of the acutely ill patient. Emphasis is on human toxic exposures.

Thorough knowledge of emergent, urgent and critical care therapeutics and their relationship to toxicologic problems will allow the resident to discuss pathophysiologic entities and formulate therapeutic and monitoring protocols on a hands on, case-by-case basis.

Techniques in drug and poison information, literature evaluation, lay public and health care provider education, assessment and investigation of history, and importance of physical examination will be stressed in their relationship to the provision of total patient care.

Administrative aspects of poison information center and consultative services operation, clinical research design and coordination, the training of pharmacy students, as well as pharmacy services within the emergency department environment will provide the resident with the background necessary to design, implement, and manage a program of this type. The curriculum is also designed to prepare the resident for successful completion of the American Board of Applied Toxicology board certification exam.

The Training Site

UF Health Jacksonville, (formerly Shands Jacksonville) Emergency Department sees approximately 100,000 patients per year; the Florida/USVI Poison Information Center-Jacksonville is one of 3 centers in a statewide network facilitating the assessment, management and prevention of poisonings in North and Central Florida. On call Toxicology fellows (1-first year Pharm.D., 1 -second year Pharm.D.) and boardcertified toxicologists provide support for complicated poison center cases and bedside consultative services for admitted patients. Six board certified toxicologists (5 Pharm.D., 1 MD) are on faculty to assist in the resident training.

The rotation sequence includes:
Orientation (1 month), Clinical Toxicology/Emergency Medicine/Poison Center (10 months), Focused Emergency Pharmaceutical Care (1 month), Focused Emergency Medicine (2 months) Pediatric Emergency Care (1 month), Adult Critical Care (2 months), Pediatric Critical Care (2 months), Poison Center Administration (1 month), external Poison Information Center Experience (1 month), Electives (3 months).

Compensation/Benefits

- Stipend
- ♦ Holiday vacation leave
- Medical, dental, vision, life and disability insurance available
- Professional leave to attend conferences
- Educational/professional travel allowances

APPLICATION CONTACT

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DEGREE REQUIREMENT

- Pharm.D. or equivalent clinical experience
- ◆ Florida pharmacist licensure

PROGRAM LENGTH

◆ Twenty-four months, starting in July

