Optometry Residency Training Program in Ocular Disease

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Optometry Residency in Ocular Disease at the University of Chicago Department of Ophthalmology

Offering advanced clinical training in ocular diagnosis and management through patient care, education, and scholarship.

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Residency Director: Heather McLeod, OD, FAAO
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Number of Positions: 1

Salary: $40,000 per year

Program Dates: July 1

Program Duration: 53 weeks

Program Description

We are pleased to offer a 53-week hospital-based optometric residency at the University of Chicago providing advanced clinical training in ocular disease diagnosis and management. This residency involves a unique opportunity to train in a collaborative optometry/ophthalmology clinical setting. The resident will learn the intricacies of systemic based eye care and the importance of communication among medical specialties. Clinical experience will include adult and pediatric ocular disease, consult/urgent care, and rotations with ophthalmology sub-specialists. Additional education will be provided through weekly grand rounds, didactic lectures, symposiums, and journal clubs.

Residents completing the program will gain the necessary experience to:

- Pursue professional and multi-disciplinary opportunities requiring a high-level of expertise in medical eye care.
- Serve as educators and researchers in academic settings.
- Serve the profession of optometry as experts and leaders in the area of ocular disease management.
Residency Program Design

The resident will participate in the following rotations (weekly):

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<td>Consult/Urgent Care</td>
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The resident will provide outpatient urgent/consult coverage during business hours. The resident will also have the opportunity to work alongside the consult ophthalmology resident during inpatient rounds.

The University of Chicago has a full complement of OMD sub-specialists. The resident will able to customize their sub-specialty rotations, choosing from: Glaucoma, Retina, Cornea, Neuro-Ophthalmology, Pediatrics, and Oculoplastics.

There are no after hour on-call responsibilities.

Educational Conferences

Education will be provided through weekly grand rounds, didactic, lectures, symposiums, and journal clubs.

- Weekly Optometry Seminars
- Weekly Ophthalmology Grand Rounds
- Quarterly Resident Education Events at ICO

Benefits

Benefits include eligibility to participate in medical and dental insurance programs, professional liability insurance, vacation, paid sick leave, and a travel allowance to attend optometric conferences.

Criteria for Completion

- Successful completion of all clinical assignments
- Attendance and participation at weekly education conferences
- A written paper of publishable quality, completed by the end of the residency period
Program Faculty

Pathik Amin, OD, FAAO
Glaucoma, Ocular Disease, Surgical Co-management

Steven C. Quan, OD, FAAO
Comprehensive Eyecare and Ocular Disease, Glaucoma, Diabetic Eye Disease, Surgical Co-Management

Marni Harris, OD, FAAO
Pediatric Optometry, Amblyopia, Strabismus, Special Needs

Katherine Nelson, OD, FAAO
Comprehensive Eyecare and Ocular Disease, Diabetic Eye Disease, Glaucoma, Surgical Co-Management

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