

Pediatrics

RESIDENCY PROGRAM AT
Palms West Hospital

Welcome to the Pediatrics Residency Program at Palms West Hospital

The Pediatrics Residency Program at Palms West Hospital is part of the HCA Healthcare Graduate Medical Education network. HCA Healthcare is the nation's leading provider of quality, patient-centered care. We are also the leader in graduate medical education, all brought together by a single mission:

Above all else, we are committed to the care and improvement of human life.

ACGME ID: 3201100434

Tracks & Positions

Tracks	NRMP #	Available Positions
Categorical	2042320C0	6

Salary

PGY1	PGY2	PGY3
\$54,267	\$55,896	\$57,637

Welcome and thank you for visiting the Palms West Hospital Pediatric Residency website. We are a pediatric residency program based in a 204-bed community hospital in South Florida with 47 inpatient pediatric and pediatric intensive care beds. Palms West Hospital is an acute care hospital offering a variety of specialty services including a dedicated pediatric emergency department and a full-service Children's Hospital. The sponsoring institution for the Pediatric Residency Program at Palms West Hospital is HCA East Florida Division Graduate Medical Education (EFD GME). HCA East Florida Division Graduate Medical Education is affiliated with Nova Southeastern University Kiran C. Patel Allopathic and Osteopathic Colleges of Medicine and the Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences. The Pediatric Residency is an ACGME accredited three-year pediatric program that accepts six residents per class.

Our program's South Florida location, between urban West Palm Beach and the agricultural communities of South-Central Florida, assures a diverse patient population with an interesting mix of pathology. The population is expected to increase by about 80,000 people over the next few years. Palms West Hospital will increase pediatric services to accommodate the increases in services and acuity, a new women and children's tower is being planned on the current hospital campus.

Our mission is to educate competent general pediatricians who by virtue of their training have career flexibility and can take advantage of multiple professional opportunities including general pediatric practice, subspecialty fellowship training, or career in academic medicine. While a lofty goal, the program has the resources, the faculty, and participants with the potential to fulfill it.

Our Faculty



**Anthony Pearson-Shaver,
MD, MHA**
Program Director



Lily Wiedrich, DO
Associate Program Director



Jelui Awada, MD



Constantin Chernitskiy, MD



Yong Sing DaSilva, MD



Andrea Horbey, DO



Annette Santiago, MD



Muneera Shaikh, MD



Joseph Sykes, MD



Ashraf Beharrie, MD



Middey Damian, MD



Caecelia Garcia Perez, DO



Robert Guerrero, MD



Edwin Liu, MD



Jose Mateo, MD



Marianna Middlehof, MD



Susan Shamaskin, DO



Melissa Singer, MD

Current Residents



Alexandra Friedman, DO

PGY-1



Geetika Gupta, MD

PGY-1



Chantell Melgarejo, DO

PGY-1



John Mullen, DO

PGY-1



Emily Shoemith, DO

PGY-1



Justin Wimberly, MD

PGY-1



Johanna Arce, DO

PGY-2



Rachael Cannon, MD

PGY-2



Stephanie Davenport, DO

PGY-2



Jennifer Giza, DO

PGY-2



Yaritza Linares Lima, MD

PGY-2



Guadalupe Silva, DO

PGY-2



Amal Ayoub, DO

PGY-3



Raymond Chua, DO

PGY-3



Shivani Patel, DO

PGY-3



Dilsa Souffrant, DO

PGY-3



Amanda Sturgill, DO

PGY-3



Rami Tabbaa, DO

PGY-3

About the Program

Program Curriculum Highlights

Curriculum

- MedStudy Board Review materials
- Lectures from faculty on AAP topics
- Inpatient Rotations – inpatient care, critical care including NICU & PICU
- Continuity Clinic
- Ambulatory general pediatrics – PGY 1 & PGY 3
- Subspecialty Rotations

Electives/Selectives

- Seven Selectives are required. All pediatrics residents take Peds Hem/Onc and choose six among many options
- Four electives are required

Pediatric Selectives

- Pediatric Allergy and Immunology
- Pediatric Cardiology
- Pediatric Dermatology
- Pediatric Endocrine
- Pediatric Gastroenterology
- Pediatric Hematology - Oncology
- Pediatric Infectious Diseases
- Pediatric Nephrology
- Pediatric Neurology
- Pediatric Pulmonology

Pediatric Selectives

- Child and Adolescent Psychiatry
- Pediatric Anesthesiology
- Pediatric Dentistry
- Pediatric Ophthalmology
- Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery
- Pediatric Otolaryngology
- Pediatric Rehabilitation Medicine
- Pediatric Radiology
- Pediatric Surgery
- Sports Medicine

Rotation Schedule

	PGY-1 (months)	PGY-2 (months)	PGY-3 (months)
Inpatient Peds	3	3	1
Floor Nights	2	1	1
Community Peds	1	-	1
Peds Surgery	1	-	-
Peds EM	1	1	1
Newborn Nursery	1	-	-
NICU	1	1	1
PICU	1	1	1
Elective with Floor call	-	-	1
Elective with PICU call	-	-	1
Selective	-	2	2
Elective	-	2	2
Adolescent	-	-	1
Developmental Peds	-	1	-

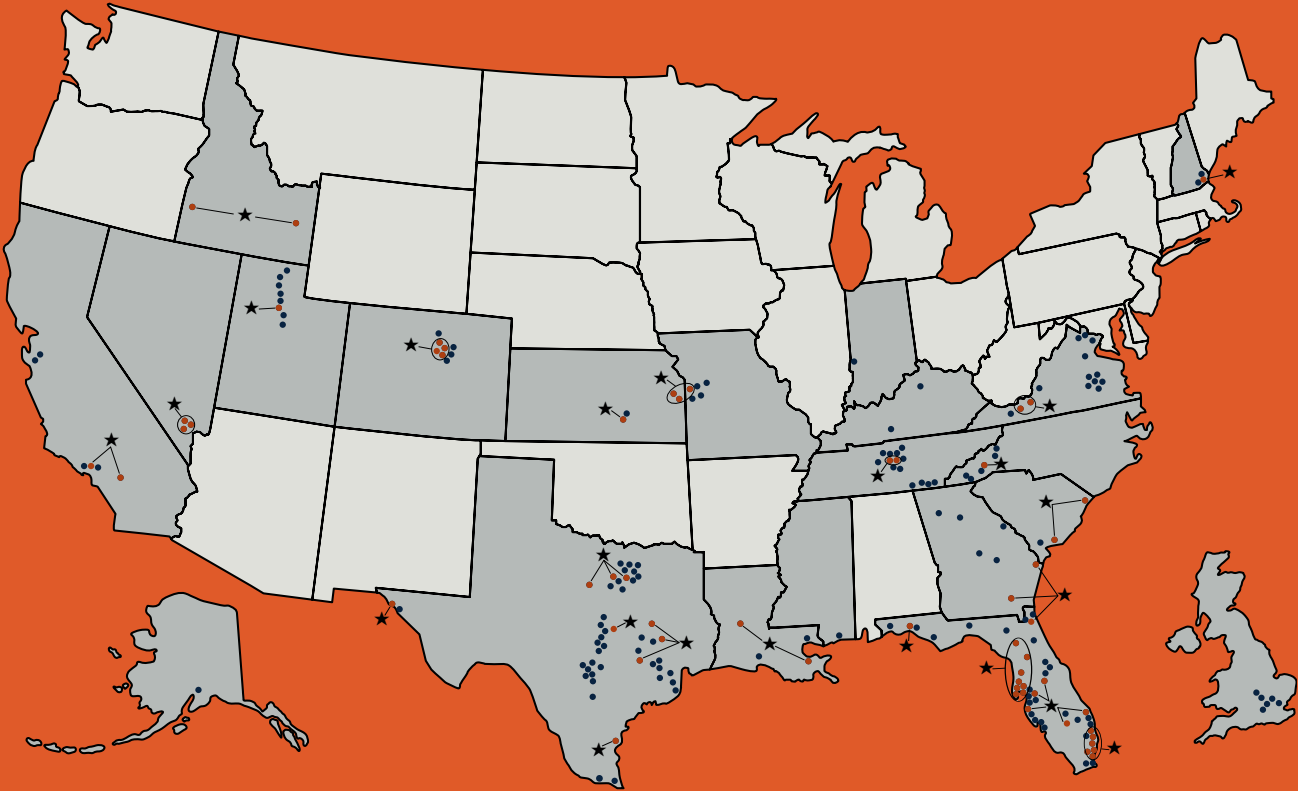
About HCA Healthcare GME

HCA Healthcare is a comprehensive healthcare network with over 275,000 colleagues across more than 2,000 care facilities all committed to creating a positive impact every day. We continually invest in our colleagues and facilities to better serve our patients and local communities. The Graduate Medical Education (GME) programs seek to inspire tomorrow's physicians to care for and improve human life by focusing on patient-centered approaches to practicing the latest evidence-based medicine.

To learn more about the benefits and expectations of training with an HCA Healthcare program, view our [Resident and Fellow Manual](#).



Our residency and fellowship programs are in **59**
hospitals located in **16** states



- ⊛ Residency or Fellowship Program
- HCA Healthcare Hospital





Size

HCA Healthcare Graduate Medical Education is the largest sponsor of residency and fellowship programs across the nation.

4,637
residents

289
fellows

218
specialty programs (residencies)

79
sub-specialty programs
(fellowships)



Scholarly Activity

HCA Healthcare Graduate Medical Education provides a critical link between vigorous scholarly activity and real-world patient care from a sophisticated data repository of more than 32 million patient encounters each year.

2,500+ HCA Healthcare GME scholarly activities in 2020-21.



Clinical Training

Each year approximately five percent of all U.S. hospital services happen at an HCA Healthcare facility, including:

32+ million patient encounters
7.4 million emergency room visits
215,000+ babies delivered

HCA Healthcare Graduate Medical Education is a leader in clinical experience.

- Nationally known physician expertise across the country
- Investments in facilities allowing the advancement of patient care
- High emphasis on simulation results and low patient incidents
- Higher patient touch than academic facilities
- Annual collaborative mass casualty event team training

A commitment to scholarly activity

Based on more than 32 million patient encounters each year, our scholarly activity bridges the gap between compelling evidence and exceptional patient care.



Our experiential learning is rooted in evidence-based medicine that leads to innovative, **real-world patient health solutions**.

Merging the rigor of **ACGME** accreditation with high patient touch, our residents and fellows deliver evidence-based care that demonstrates our mission to care for and improve human life.

We offer **National Grand Rounds** that leverage accomplished clinical expertise from across HCA Healthcare, bringing the nation's leading medical experts to our residency and fellowship programs.

Notable Publications

- *JAMA Internal Medicine*
- *Annals of Surgical Oncology*
- *CHEST Journal*
- *American Journal of Respiratory & Critical Care Medicine*
- *Obstetrics & Gynecology*

Notable Presentations

- American College of Cardiology
- Society of Critical Care Medicine
- American College of Physicians
- Society of Hospital Medicine
- American College of Surgeons

Influential Collaboration

HCA Healthcare residents and fellows have access to talented, highly skilled teams of faculty, industry experts and dedicated researchers to guide them through their journey. Residents and fellows produce evidence that drives future practice by leveraging HCA Healthcare's national clinical data warehouse – the heart of our data ecosystem.

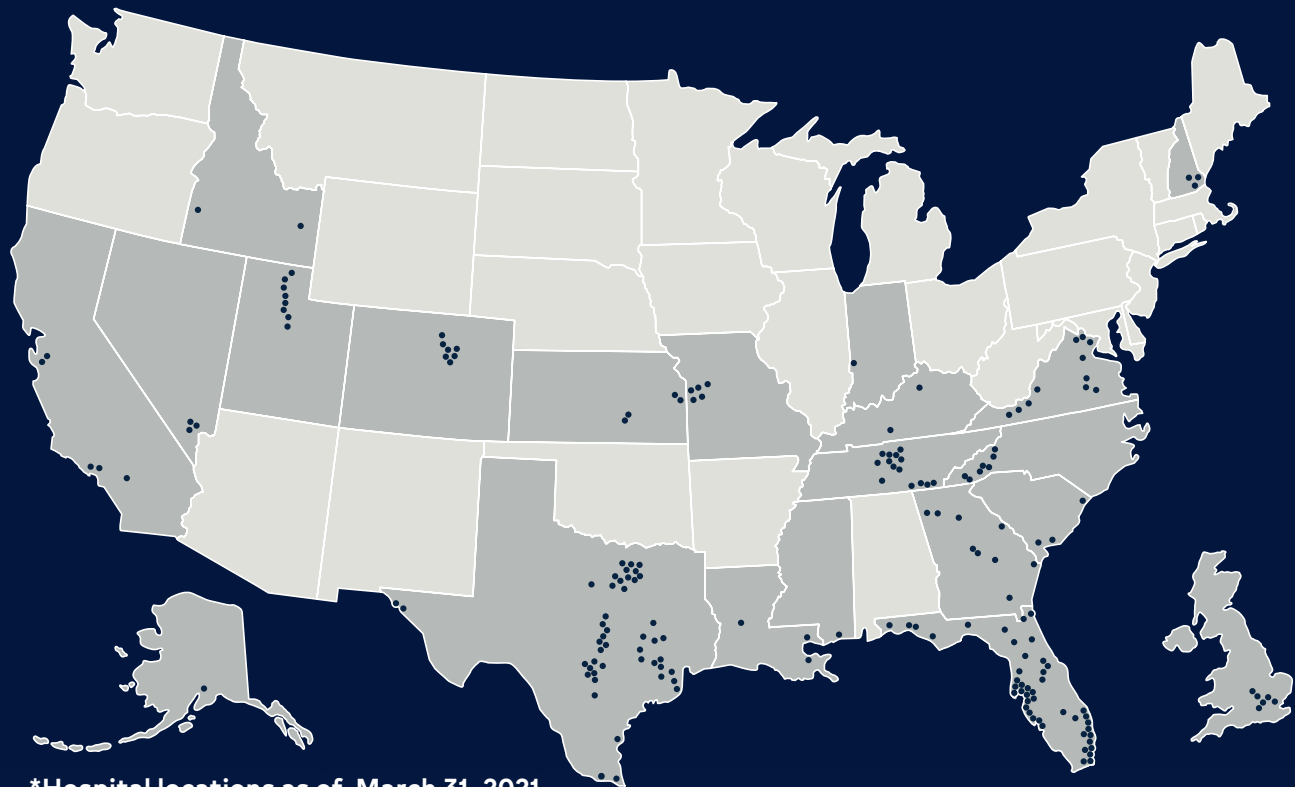
HCA Healthcare Scholarly Commons is a platform to collect, share and publish the variety of academic work created by the Graduate Medical Education community. During 2020, readership of those works eclipsed the 25,000 mark. Included on this platform is the **HCA Healthcare Journal of Medicine**, a peer reviewed scientific periodical focused on innovation, enhanced quality and developing new knowledge in clinical care and medical education for the benefit of all patients. In its first year of publication, the journal disseminated 86 articles in six issues as well as a seventh special issue on the COVID-19 pandemic.

About HCA Healthcare

HCA Healthcare is one of the nation's leading providers of healthcare services and is comprised of 186 hospitals and more than 2,000 sites of care including surgery centers, freestanding ERs, urgent care centers, diagnostic and imaging centers, walk-in clinics and physician clinics in 20 states and the United Kingdom. With its founding in 1968, Nashville-based HCA Healthcare created a new model for hospital care in the United States.



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*Hospital locations as of March 31, 2021

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Size

275,000
colleagues

93,000+
registered nurses

47,000[^]
active and affiliated physicians



Patient Care

HCA Healthcare's U.S. hospitals provide approximately 5% of all inpatient hospital services in the country.

In 2020:

32+ million
patient encounters

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215,000
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View the **HCA Healthcare Community Impact Report** to learn more about our award-winning programs, technology advances and partnerships with community organizations to fulfill our commitment to the care and improvement of human life.



Giving Back

\$3.4+ billion
estimated 2020 cost for the delivery of charity care, uninsured discounts and other uncompensated care

\$45 million
in charitable cash contributions provided across the enterprise in 2020

We are committed to expanding our relationships with our communities by investing **\$10 million** over the next three years in Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) across our footprint.*

*Starting in 2021



Industry Leader

Sarah Cannon, the Cancer Institute of HCA Healthcare, provides **state-of-the-art cancer care** close to home for hundreds of thousands of patients, a number unmatched by any single cancer center.

HCA Healthcare affiliates deliver healthcare services in **more than 150 languages and dialects**.

HCA Healthcare has treated more COVID-19 inpatients than any other health system in the U.S.

[^]Approximate

