

DISCOVER **Real** OPPORTUNITY

The P4 Educational Experience

The P4 Program offers residents a unique fourth-year opportunity to become better prepared to provide patient care within an increasingly challenging medical environment. In essence, it allows them to both master the specialty of family medicine and pursue their passions for future practice.



The First Year

Sample R-1 Schedule

Orientation 1 block*†	Medicine Teaching Service 2 blocks	FP Inpt Service 1 block	Inpt Peds 2 blocks* (at CCMC)	Peds MH 1 block	Peds (at St. Raphael) 1 block*	OB 1 block	Cardiology 1 block*	Dermatology 1 block*	Elective 2 blocks*
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One block equals 4 weeks

The Second Year

Sample R-2 Schedule

Medicine (Hospitalists) 2 blocks	FP Inpt Service 1 block	OB 1 block	Surgery 1 block	ER/Night Float 2 blocks	Gynecology 2 blocks	ICU 1 block*	Peds MH 1 block*	Elect 1 block*	Track 1 block*
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One block equals 4 weeks

The Third Year

Sample R-3 Schedule

Orientation 1 block	Medicine Teaching Service 1 block	FP Inpt Service 1 block	Surgery 1 block*	Developmental Peds 1 block*	ENT/ Ophtho 1 block*	ER 1 block*	Paliative Medicine 1 block*	Orthopedics 2 blocks*	Elective 1 block*	Track 2 blocks*
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One block equals 4 weeks

The Fourth Year

Sample R-4 Schedule

Medicine Teaching Service 1 block	FP Inpatient Service 1 block	Sports Med 1 block*	Systems Med 1 block*	Urology 1 block*	Homecare 1 block*	Neuro/ Geriatrics 1 block*	Practice Management 1 block*	Peds ER 1 block	Track 4 blocks
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One block equals 4 weeks

* Indicates that vacation is permitted during the rotation.

Longitudinal Sequence

Note: Weekly schedules during longitudinal sequences are designed to “make training more like practice.” Continuity of care and individualized, self-directed learning are emphasized.

Sample Longitudinal Sequence Weekly Schedule

R-3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:30 – 9:00	Rounds FP Service	Rounds FP Service	Rounds FP Service	Rounds/Grand Rounds FP Service	Rounds FP Service
9:00 – 12:00	FPC	CHC OB Clinic Comm Med (Home Visits)	Behavioral Science/ Comm Med	Longitudinal Specialty*/or SDL	FPC
12:00 – 1:00		Conference	Residents meeting		
1:00 – 5:00	FPC Nursing Home	Longitudinal Specialty*/or SDL	Conference	Longitudinal Specialty*/or SDL	FPC

* Longitudinal specialty: gynecology, orthopedics, ambulatory peds, emergency medicine, ophthalmology, ENT, urology.

FPC: Family Practice Center
 SDL: Self directed learning (during FP Longitudinal Sequence)
 CHC: Community Health Center maternity care



P4 – Preparing the Personal Physician for Practice – is a progressive initiative supported by the American Academy of Family Physicians. The program is inspiring innovations in family medicine training to ensure America's future family doctors are proficient in using the most up-to-date tools and technologies to provide superior patient care.

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