Admission Requirements

- Graduate of an ARC-PA accredited PA program
- NCCPA certified (or eligible)
  (Provide official proof of certification)
- Complete application form found on UFSPAS Postgraduate Programs page
  (Web address below)
- Official Transcripts from PA Program
  (Sent from Program)
- 3 letters of reference
  (One from PA program director)
- CV
- To check your eligibility:
  Checklist for Health Professions Trainees (HPTs) Training at VA Facilities
  Am I Eligible? Checklist for VA HPTs

Time Line

Application Due Date: April 18, 2022
Interview Dates: April 25, 2022 (virtual)
  12:30pm-4:30pm
April 29, 2022 (virtual)
  12:30pm-4:30pm

Final Decision: May 6, 2022
Residency start date: August 1, 2022
September 12, 2022
(Start date is flexible upon acceptance)

2 Residents will be accepted for 2022-2023 cycle

Send application and supporting materials to:

Adrienne Feinglass, MMS, PA-C
North Florida/South Georgia Veterans Health System
5571 S.W. 64th Street
Gainesville, Florida 32608

Program Information:
http://pap.med.ufl.edu/about-us-2/post-graduate-programs/

Program Website:
http://pap.med.ufl.edu/about-us-2/post-graduate-programs/

Residency Program Contacts

Program Director: Adrienne Feinglass, MMS, PA-C
Adrienne.Feinglass@va.gov

Clerkship Director: Naghma Ahmed, MPAS, PA-C
Naghma.Ahmed@va.gov

Medical Director: Saji Packal, MD
Saji.Packal@va.gov

Assoc. Chief of Staff – Office of Education:
L. Chad Hood, MD
Laurence.Hood@va.gov

Physician Assistant VAMC
Primary Care Residency

The North Florida-South Georgia Veterans Health System – University of Florida Physician Assistant Residency in Primary Care focuses on clinical practice integral to providing exemplary healthcare to the nation’s veterans. This 12 month program helps trainees develop expertise in ambulatory settings such as primary care clinics, emergency/urgent care, and a variety of specialty care areas including Endocrinology, Cardiology, Dermatology, and Palliative Care. Educational opportunities are available among other specialty care services along with simulation-based training in medical procedures during the course of their Residency.

PA residents receive a salary and benefits along with paid vacation and leave. Enjoy the predictability of a fixed daily schedule with weekends and federal holidays off. This in-depth exposure to the VA care system is the best possible preparation for a career as a future VA team member.

This nation will remain the land of the free, so long as it is the home of the brave.
Program Mission

To recruit and train highly qualified residents to become exemplary physician assistants with the necessary skills to provide integrated primary care to veterans in need.

Program Description

The PA residency is a 12-month clinical and didactic education program focusing on adult primary care medicine designed to produce highly competent primary care physician assistants.

Throughout the year the PA Resident will have his/her own assigned weekly continuity clinic in Primary Care as well as multiple half to full day clinics throughout the year. In addition, the PA Resident will participate in a year-long longitudinal mentoring, assessment and interdisciplinary curriculum that will be augmented by rotation specific content. In addition to didactic lecture, the Resident will participate in Grand Rounds, monthly PA didactic lectures and other rotation specific conferences.

Educational opportunities are also available in the facility’s Interdisciplinary Simulation and Education Center.

Residency Rotations

Inpatient rotations:
- Hospitalist Medicine
- Psychiatry to include:
  - Substance Abuse/Detox Clinic
  - Consult service

Outpatient/clinic based rotations:
- Cardiology
- Dermatology
- Endocrinology
- Infectious Disease
- Geriatrics & Palliative Care
- Emergency/Urgent Care
- Pulmonary / General Surgery
- Electives to include:
  - Procedure Service
  - Home Based Primary Care
  - Gastroenterology
  - Hematology/Oncology
  - Nephrology
  - Orthopedics
  - Others depending on availability

Weekly continuity clinics:
- Primary Care
- Additional continuity clinics optional

**Most rotations are 8-5 with no call, nights or weekends.

Benefits

- Train in the practice of evidence based primary care medicine at a tertiary care, academic affiliated institution while learning how to better serve those that have served us
- Salary: Associated Health Fellow 1 annual stipend
- Health insurance
- Term life insurance
- Federal vacation and sick leave