

# This Summer Choose Family Medicine!

## Program Description

Do you know what you can do with a family medicine career? There's probably more than you think and if you choose to participate in the OAFP Foundation's Leroy A. Rodgers, MD, Preceptorship Program this summer, you'll get a firsthand experience of what that might be.

The preceptorship program affords first- and second-year medical students the opportunity to explore the diverse and rewarding realities of family medicine under the care and guidance of one or more practicing family physicians. **Plus, the Foundation gives participants stipend funding - learn and earn this summer!**

Each Ohio medical school's department of family medicine develops, implements, and evaluates its summer preceptorship program curriculum and requirements. Through their respective departments of family medicine, participating students are selected and matched with a practicing family physician in urban and rural settings for a period of four weeks.

Through the preceptorship program, the Foundation offers grant funding to the departments of family medicine at the state's medical schools for participating students' preceptorship rotation stipends. Our goal is to support stipends for up to 10 students from each of Ohio's seven medical schools. Stipends are \$375 per week for a 4 week preceptorship rotation. The maximum stipend for any one rotation is \$1,500.

*\*These funds are provided in full to participating students. Indirect costs are not provided to the institution and grant funds may not be used for this purpose.*

## Program Requirements

- Student must be an OAFP member
- Medical school contact will submit the name of the student and medical school years completed to the Foundation
- Student preceptors' name and practice location (street address and phone number) must be submitted to the Foundation
- The dates of the preceptorship rotation must be submitted to the Foundation. Students should complete approximately 32 hours per week (includes clinical and project or community hours).
- Student will complete a report describing the value and/or impact of their preceptorship experience (photos of student with preceptor and/or during rotation activities are appreciated).

Disclaimer: student names and reports will be shared with Foundation trustees and program partners including the Ohio Association of Community Health Centers and the Ohio Department of Health.

Please note: the requirements above are what is required to receive funding from the Foundation. Each medical school may have their own application and interview process. Please contact your department of family medicine for specific application information and deadlines.

## FQHC Component

The Foundation has partnered with the Ohio Association of Community Health Centers to provide medical students the opportunity to complete their rotation in a federally qualified health center (FQHC) or community health center (CHC) in Ohio. If you are interested in this practice setting, please let your University contact know. He or she will work with Foundation staff to coordinate a placement. To learn more about what these centers have to offer, visit the OACHC website at <http://bit.ly/FQHCDescription>.



## Past student participants have:

- Done procedures (including pap smears, biopsies, injections, etc.)
- Improved interviewing skills
- Experienced inpatient and outpatient settings
- Improved physical exam skills
- Learned about a variety of diseases - rare and common
- Worked with a diverse group of patients
- Learned about insurance processes and the physician's role
- Learned how to run a practice
- Gained a lifelong mentor
- Found out about community resources and how to share those with patients
- Gained insight into the physician/patient relationship
- Experienced how to work in a team-based environment
- Witnessed the joy of being a family physician and the impact you can have on an entire community!

Not all experiences are identical but all are guaranteed to give a look into family medicine and the breadth of opportunities it has to offer - giving you the assurance that family medicine is a strong career choice.

## Questions?

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