

NEWSLETTER

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Where Our Residents Have Been!

Family Medicine Inpatient Service

Dr. Ramirez, M.D.

PGY3 Resident Physician

One of the things that I absolutely enjoy about our Family Medicine Residency Program is the opportunity to explore new settings. This was why my recent rotation at Memorial Medical Center in Las Cruces was another adventure.

It was 5:30 am and I was driving through the streets of Las Cruces to get there on time to sign out. My fellow residents from Las Cruces were very welcoming to the newcomer. It was a very productive day rounding on our patient load. Being a Senior resident is very different from intern year. There is better sense of the big picture of the service.

Anticipation and organization of the upcoming day was the key and patient care was our MO. There is something important to say about the faculty in Las Cruces. They are very good at teaching the "why". When it comes to patient care the "why" is a crucial part of developing critical thinking. The members of the faculty were always available to us.

I really appreciated that! Furthermore, I really had a good time with my day team. They were good pals to work with and we had fun when time allowed. I was very happy to work with the night team as well. I felt that I made good friends at Memorial Medical Center. The many diverse diagnosis's and the constant evaluation of our work was key to run the service. I had a very solid inpatient experience and I only can hope that I left nearly the same impression in my peers and professors. One more thing to say... thank you all (HMS and Memorial Medical Center) for the demonstrations of support to my unexpected loss. I will always remember your help, understanding and kind words.

- Magda

Orthopedics & Sports Medicine/ Physical Therapy

Dr. Ferguson, M.D.

PGY2 Resident Physician

I had a wonderful time working with Southwest Bone and Joint and Desert Springs Physical Therapy last month. It was such an incredible opportunity to work with Dr. Robinson, Dr. Carrion, Dr. Reddy, Rick Lemke and Suzanne Thomas and to be able to glean from them so many pearls of wisdom that pertain to orthopedics, sports medicine and physical therapy. I truly appreciate their time, expertise and willingness to allow me into their clinic. I learned so many things that I have already put into practice in my own clinic. I also had an amazing time volunteering as the "Doc of the Day" at the round house in Santa Fe with our new and wonderful attending physician Dr. Hernandez. It was exciting to care for some of the legislators and an incredible opportunity to advocate for our patients in rural New Mexico. I hope to be able to participate in the program again in the future. – Brandon

Obstetrics

Dr. Patel, M.D.

PGY2 Resident Physician

One of the reasons I chose Family Medicine was its emphasis on Women's Health. I had the opportunity to further my knowledge in this field while working with Dr. Nwachuku at Cassie Health Center for Women. My time was spent in the operating room, clinic, and labor and delivery. I want to thank Dr. Nwachuku and his staff for accommodating me. I thoroughly enjoyed the multiple opportunities I had to develop my procedural skills with IUD and Nexplanon insertions/removals. I also

Resident Roster

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Magda Ramirez, MD

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appreciated all the patients for allowing a new provider like me to come in and discuss their issues with them. I look forward to my time there again next year! - Neel

Night Float

Susan Bauer, D.O.

PGY1 Resident Physician, In Training at MMC

I was on night float for my Block #7 rotation; the first of two back to back. My first two weeks of the block were spent on the day shift rounding and seeing patients and the last two weeks were spent on nights. I have learned many great things this past month! - Susan

Inpatient Pediatrics

Mario Campos, M.D.

PGY1 Resident Physician, In Training at MMC

For Block #7, I was on the inpatient pediatric service at MMC. I spent the month with our pediatric hospitalist Dr. Lichtenfels examining newborn babies, admitting sick children, and helping in the delivery room when there were C sections. I enjoyed the month and learned a lot about taking care of acutely ill children as well as normal and abnormal physical exam findings on newborns. My favorite part was interacting with the newborns because I know I was one of the first people to ever interact with these newly born human beings. Overall, it was a very enjoyable month. - Mario

New Mexico State Legislature- Doc of the Day

On January 27th, PGY2 resident Dr. Brandon Ferguson and HMS FMRP core faculty Dr. Virginia Hernandez attended the New Mexico State Legislative Session in Santa Fe, NM where Dr. Ferguson was named "Doc of the Day!" Dr. Hernandez accompanied him as his attending for the day. While there, Dr. Ferguson was able to attend to some of our states legislators who required medical attention. He also had the opportunity to explore the roundhouse and advocate for the rural patient population in New Mexico. On February 8th and 9th, PGY2 resident Dr. Neel Patel and Program Director Dr. Darrick Nelson also attended the New Mexico State Legislative Session where Dr. Patel was named "Doc of the Day!" February 9th was also recognized as "Primary Care Day" at the roundhouse. Dr. Patel, Dr. Nelson, Program Coordinator Jade Zamora and Program Assistant Amanda Castillo attended "Primary Care Day" and represented Hidalgo Medical Services at the roundhouse exhibition.



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