OVERVIEW

This unique one year fellowship program is a joint project of the Department of Family Medicine at the Alpert Medical School of Brown University/Memorial Hospital of Rhode Island and Thundermist Health Center, a leading federally-funded Community Health Center in Rhode Island. Since family physicians pursuing careers in global health are often called upon to provide direct clinical care, teaching and leadership in resource poor communities, this fellowship is specifically designed to equip family physicians with the additional skills necessary to meet these needs.

PROGRAM GOALS

This fellowship prepares family physicians for careers in global health by providing:

- Clinical training needed to better meet the needs of patients in resource poor communities
- Training and mentoring in teaching skills for a variety of settings and learners
- Training and mentoring in curriculum design and educational scholarship
- Training and mentoring in leadership and management skills

APPLICATION INFORMATION

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ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Completion of an accredited family medicine residency program in the US.
- Board eligible or board certified in family medicine.
- Selected fellows must obtain medical licensure in the State of Rhode Island.
- The Fellowship typically extends from August 1st to July 31st.

TO APPLY FOR THE FELLOWSHIP

- Please send a curriculum vitae, (including a list of international and OB experience), a personal statement and three letters of recommendation (one from your Program/Residency Director).
- Selected applicants will be invited for an interview on site.
FAMILY MEDICINE DEPARTMENT GLOBAL HEALTH INITIATIVES

• HONDURAS: ‘Shoulder to Shoulder’
  Working to reduce poverty in Intibucá Honduras for over 20 years through programs in health, education, nutrition & environmental hygiene. Brown’s partnership is with the town of Guachipilincito.

  Faculty: Emily Harrison, MD, MPH, Executive Director-Shoulder to Shoulder, Jeffrey Borkan, MD, PhD, Professor & Chair of Department of Family Medicine

• MALAWI: University of Malawi
  The FM Dept is working with the University of Malawi to train family physicians.

  Faculty: Fadya El Rayess, MD, MPH & Anna Filip, MD

• KENYA: Moi University
  The FM Dept is involved in faculty development and research mentorship for Kenyan-trained FM residents and faculty.

  Faculty: Kim Zeller, MD, MPH, Clinical Assistant Professor of Family Medicine

• VIETNAM: Family Medicine Development
  Since 1996 this project has worked to establish family medicine as the core specialty for primary care throughout Vietnam.

  Faculty: Stephen F. Cummings, MD, Clinical Assistant Professor of Family Medicine

• PROVIDENCE, RI: Clinica Esperanza
  Immigrant and refugee free clinic

  Faculty: Fadya El Rayess, MD, MPH, Clinical Assistant Professor of Family Medicine

ESSENTIAL FEATURES OF THE ONE YEAR PROGRAM

Primary Care of Underserved and Immigrant Communities in the US at Thundermist Health Center (CHC) a site involved in PCMH transformation and Behavioral Health Co-location.

Faculty Development includes resident and medical student teaching in a variety of settings including precepting in the FM resident/faculty clinic, inpatient attending rounds, small group teaching, lecture and curriculum design. This experience is observed and mentored by experienced faculty.

Advanced Clinical Skills for resource poor settings. Training builds on fellows’ existing skills and includes: maternal child health; HIV; basic radiology & ultrasound; outpatient orthopedic, reproductive health & minor surgical procedures; emergency resuscitation; and first assisting in operating room. Skills are gained longitudinally or in block rotations.

Seminar Series covering core global health topics including communicable & non-communicable diseases; international health care systems; teaching methods; curriculum development & evaluation; scholarly skills; and leadership skills.

Scholarly Project. Fellows will complete and present a scholarly project related to global health and education.

SALARY, BENEFITS, CALL

Annual salary: $58,618.
Benefits: medical, disability, malpractice and life insurance, 6 weeks away (includes 4 weeks paid time off, one week of CME, and 1 week for travel to an international site).

Call: 2 weeks per year covering the family medicine Inpatient Service. OB/GYN call (approx. 2 times per month)

CLINICAL SITES

• MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OF RHODE ISLAND is a community hospital located in Pawtucket, RI where family physicians provide full spectrum inpatient and outpatient care. It is the academic home of The Alpert Medical School of Brown University’s Department of Family Medicine. www.brownfamilymedicine.org

• THUNDERMIST HEALTH CENTER is a community health center with three sites in Rhode Island. The West Warwick site is staffed by Family Physicians who serve approximately 6000 patients. www.thundermisthealth.org