

Internal Medicine

RESIDENCY PROGRAM AT
Blake Medical Center

Welcome to the Internal Medicine Residency Program at Blake Medical Center

The Internal Medicine Residency Program at Blake Medical Center is part of the HCA Healthcare Graduate Medical Education network. HCA Healthcare is the nation's leading provider of quality, patient-centered care. We are also the leader in graduate medical education, all brought together by a single mission:

Above all else, we are committed to the care and improvement of human life.

ACGME ID: 1401100944

Tracks & Positions

Tracks	NRMP #	Available Positions
Categorical	1899140C0	22
Preliminary	1899140P0	6

Salary

PGY1	PGY2	PGY3
\$54,267	\$55,869	\$57,637

Welcome to the Internal Medicine Residency Program at Blake Medical Center! The road through residency is long, but the opportunities are vast. We are here to help, teach, and guide our residents further along their career paths. Through hard work and intense study, you will find deep satisfaction and lasting fulfillment in this noble profession.

Our Internal Medicine Residency Program received initial accreditation by the ACGME in January of 2016 and we proudly accepted our first class of residents in July 2016. This superb inaugural residency class was instrumental in developing an effective and cohesive program and they set the stage for every class after them. Our Internal Medicine Residency Program is ACGME accredited for 72 categorical positions; 22 in each year of the three year categorical residency, and 6 in a Prelim year.

We have developed an academic program that will bring an educational experience that is both challenging and exciting, as well as prepare graduates for the practice of medicine after residency. We have a top-notch faculty for this program that are very knowledgeable and enthusiastic. These faculty members are eager to teach and to “light another candle” as they participate in the development of the next generation of the physician workforce.

We offer an academic program that brings an educational experience that is both challenging and exciting, as well as prepare our graduates for the practice of medicine after residency. We have a robust didactic program and our 4+1 scheduling system alternates 4-week rotations with a 1-week ambulatory clinic block.

We look forward to the opportunity to show you all the Blake Medical Center Internal Medicine Residency Program has to offer. We wish you the best of luck in this important next step in your career!

Marwa Hegagi, MD, FACP, FHM

Program Director



Our Faculty



Marwa Hegagi, MD, FACP, FHM

Internal Medicine Program Director

- Medical School: University of Tripoli
- Internal Medicine Residency: Tripoli Central University Hospital & MedStar Harbor Hospital



Mark Baker, MD

Associate Program Director

- Hospitalist
- Medical School: Windsor University School of Medicine
- Internal Medicine Residency: Blake Medical Center (Chief)



Ian Kahane, MD

- Core Faculty, Primary Care
- Medical School: Ross University School of Medicine
- Internal Medicine Residency: Blake Medical Center (Chief)



Robert Subbiondo, MD

- Core Faculty, Cardiology
- Medical School: SUNY @ Stony Brook
- Internal Medicine Residency: Brookdale University Hospital
- Cardiology Fellowship: Shands at University of Florida



Yizhi Lin, DO

- Core Faculty, Hospitalist
- Medical School: LECOM College of Medicine
- Internal Medicine Residency: University of Texas, Austin



Guruswamy Ramamurthy, MD

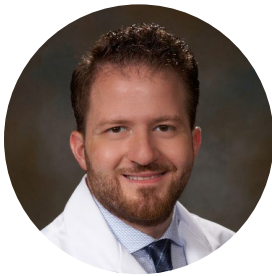
- Core Faculty, Nephrology
- Medical School: Gandhi Medical College
- Internal Medicine Residency: Brookdale Hospital, NY
- Nephrology Fellowship: Brookdale Hospital, NY



James DeMaio, MD

- Infectious Disease Program Director
- Medical School: Harvard
- Internal Medicine Residency: University of Washington
- Infectious Disease Fellowship: Johns Hopkins University

Current Residents



Muhannad Akel
MD, Chief Resident
Class of 2022



Shantal Alvarez
MD
Class of 2022



**Crystal del Mar
Ayala Castillo**
MD
Class of 2022



Paras Bajaj
MD
Class of 2022



Anjuli BhaduriHauck
DO
Class of 2022



Roxana Cabrera
MD
Class of 2022



Tiffany Cavin
DO, Chief Resident
Class of 2022



Cynthia Crespo Rivera
MD
Class of 2022



Ashley Davis
MD
Class of 2022



Joshua DiGregorio

MD
Class of 2022



Ethan Downes

MD
Class of 2022



Claudia Fernandez

MD
Class of 2022



Jorge Leal

MD
Class of 2022



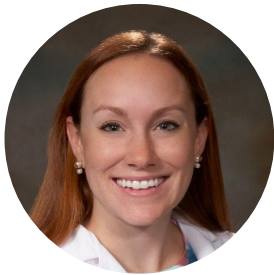
Omar Perez Feliciano

MD, Chief Resident
Class of 2022



Jared Pieniazek

DO
Class of 2022



Morgan Zegers

DO
Class of 2022



Jamie Lee Aldakkour

DO
Class of 2023



Usama Bardan

MD
Class of 2023



Hector Gonzalez Montalvo

MD
Class of 2023



James Ha

MD
Class of 2023



Daniel Hanna

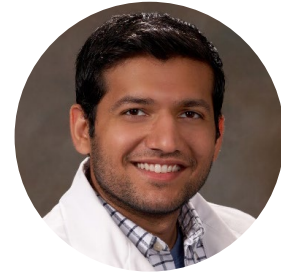
MD
Class of 2023



Ashley Henning
DO
Class of 2023



Benjamin Ihde
DO
Class of 2023



Osman Ismaeel
MD
Class of 2023



Lakhvir Kaur
MD
Class of 2023



Hibah Khan
MD
Class of 2023



Faisal Mansur
MD
Class of 2023



J. Ryan Miller
MD
Class of 2023



Kevin Pacholec
DO
Class of 2023



Pooja Patel
MD
Class of 2023



Sydney Peterson
MD
Class of 2023



Nicolas Reyes
MD
Class of 2023



Roshan Roy
MD
Class of 2023



Joshua Santoli

MD
Class of 2023



Hossein Tohidi

DO
Class of 2023



Manuel Torres Velez

MD
Class of 2023



Tomasz Wasik

MD
Class of 2023



Shelby Wise

DO
Class of 2023



Omar Alzarkali

DO
Class of 2024



Nirmala Bhatt

MD
Class of 2024



Aaron Ellingboe

MD
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Vanessa Florival

MD
Class of 2024



Amin Gosla

DO
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Brendan Gregg

DO
Class of 2024

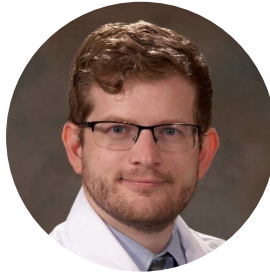


Riley Hardval

DO
Class of 2024



Calvin Henderson
MD
Class of 2024



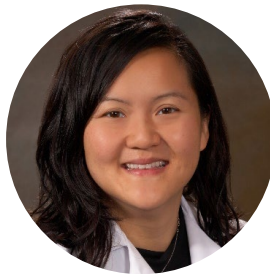
Charles Huyghues-Despointes
MD
Class of 2024



Fawaz Katmeh
MD
Class of 2024



Madhuvani Korlapati
MD
Class of 2024



Jane-Hwei Lee
MD
Class of 2024



Michelle Murphy
DO
Class of 2024



Kevyn Niu
DO
Class of 2024



Kurt Ramey
DO
Class of 2024



Maulik Shah
MD
Class of 2024



Gregory Shedlock
DO
Class of 2024



Brittany Smith
MD
Class of 2024



M Sami Tashwali
DO
Class of 2024



Sreenath Varma
DO
Class of 2024



Simeon Walton
MD
Class of 2024



Lihini Weerasinghe
MD
Class of 2024



Kishan Faldu
MD
Preliminary



Amanda Marker
DO
Preliminary



Nathan O'Leary
MD
Preliminary



Jonathan Singh
DO
Preliminary



Chris Ulmschneider
DO
Preliminary

Blake Medical Center

Blake Medical Center is a 383-bed, Joint Commission accredited, tertiary hospital providing award-winning care. Blake provides the community a verified Level II Trauma Center, the only Trauma Center in Manatee County. The hospital also provides one of only six burn centers in the State. Additionally, Blake offers ER 24/7®, a Joint Replacement and Spine Institute, Heart and Vascular Center, Breast Care Center, Limb Saving Institute, Lung Care Center, Advanced Primary Stroke Center, premier neuroscience services, cancer care, inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation, and physical therapy services, complex hand repair, and 24/7 hyperbaric medicine. Blake's extensive range of surgical services includes metabolic and bariatric, microvascular, open heart, neurological, colorectal, urologic, and general surgery. In addition to the Internal Medicine Residency, Blake Medical Center's Graduate Medical Education program also includes a Transitional Year Residency, as well as an Infectious Disease Fellowship, and is affiliated with the USF Morsani College of Medicine.



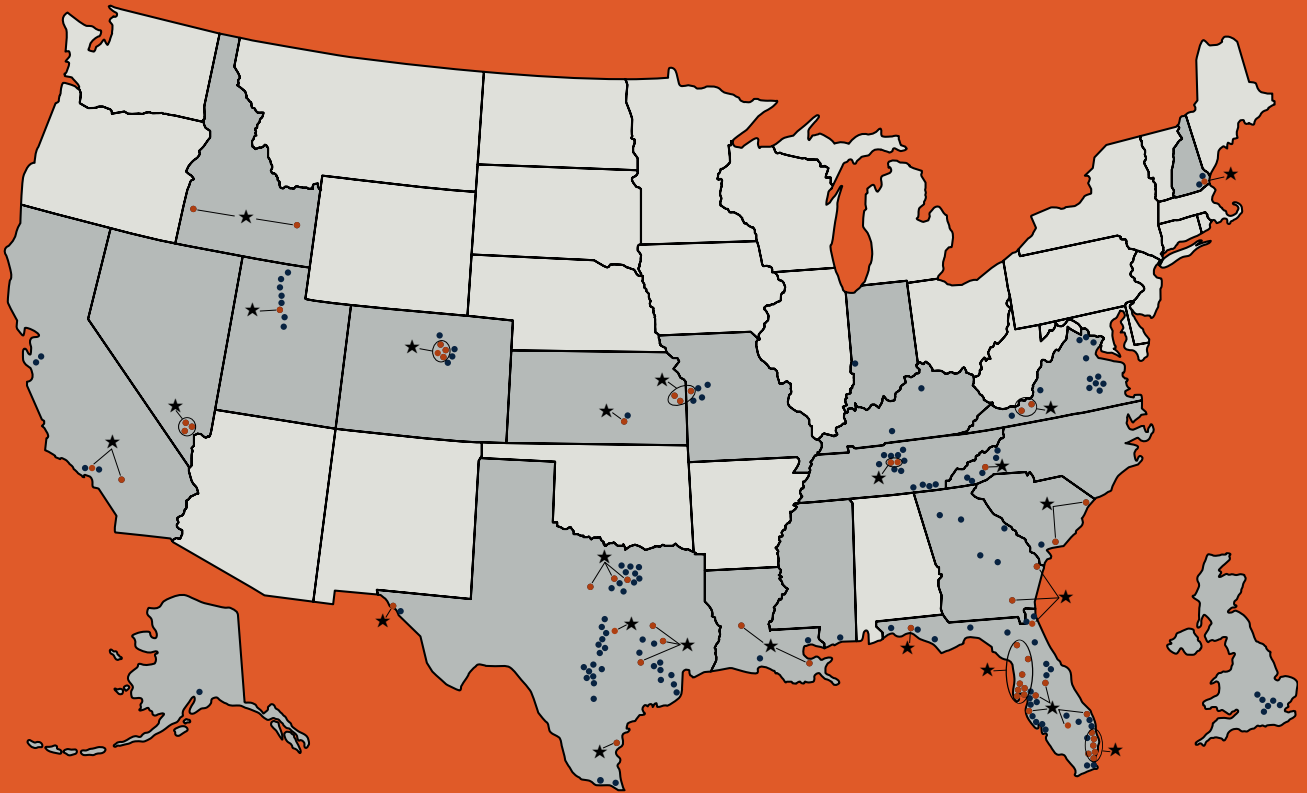
About HCA Healthcare GME

HCA Healthcare is a comprehensive healthcare network with over 275,000 colleagues across more than 2,000 care facilities all committed to creating a positive impact every day. We continually invest in our colleagues and facilities to better serve our patients and local communities. The Graduate Medical Education (GME) programs seek to inspire tomorrow's physicians to care for and improve human life by focusing on patient-centered approaches to practicing the latest evidence-based medicine.

To learn more about the benefits and expectations of training with an HCA Healthcare program, view our [Resident and Fellow Manual](#).



Our residency and fellowship programs are in **59**
hospitals located in **16** states



- ⊛ Residency or Fellowship Program
- HCA Healthcare Hospital



Size

HCA Healthcare Graduate Medical Education is the largest sponsor of residency and fellowship programs across the nation.

4,637
residents

289
fellows

218
specialty programs (residencies)

79
sub-specialty programs
(fellowships)



Scholarly Activity

HCA Healthcare Graduate Medical Education provides a critical link between vigorous scholarly activity and real-world patient care from a sophisticated data repository of more than 32 million patient encounters each year.

2,500+ HCA Healthcare GME scholarly activities in 2020-21.



Clinical Training

Each year approximately five percent of all U.S. hospital services happen at an HCA Healthcare facility, including:

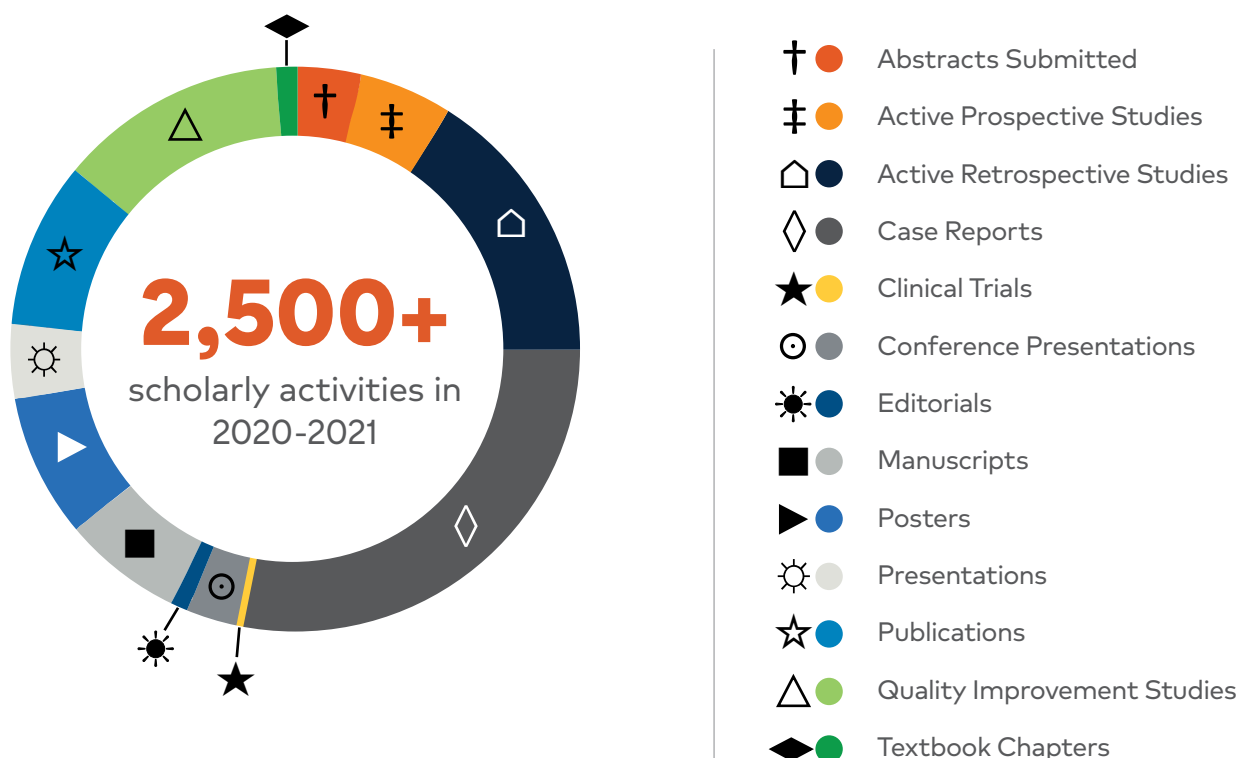
32+ million patient encounters
7.4 million emergency room visits
215,000+ babies delivered

HCA Healthcare Graduate Medical Education is a leader in clinical experience.

- Nationally known physician expertise across the country
- Investments in facilities allowing the advancement of patient care
- High emphasis on simulation results and low patient incidents
- Higher patient touch than academic facilities
- Annual collaborative mass casualty event team training

A commitment to scholarly activity

Based on more than 32 million patient encounters each year, our scholarly activity bridges the gap between compelling evidence and exceptional patient care.



Our experiential learning is rooted in evidence-based medicine that leads to innovative, **real-world patient health solutions**.

Merging the rigor of **ACGME** accreditation with high patient touch, our residents and fellows deliver evidence-based care that demonstrates our mission to care for and improve human life.

We offer **National Grand Rounds** that leverage accomplished clinical expertise from across HCA Healthcare, bringing the nation's leading medical experts to our residency and fellowship programs.

Notable Publications

- *JAMA Internal Medicine*
- *Annals of Surgical Oncology*
- *CHEST Journal*
- *American Journal of Respiratory & Critical Care Medicine*
- *Obstetrics & Gynecology*

Notable Presentations

- American College of Cardiology
- Society of Critical Care Medicine
- American College of Physicians
- Society of Hospital Medicine
- American College of Surgeons

Influential Collaboration

HCA Healthcare residents and fellows have access to talented, highly skilled teams of faculty, industry experts and dedicated researchers to guide them through their journey. Residents and fellows produce evidence that drives future practice by leveraging HCA Healthcare's national clinical data warehouse – the heart of our data ecosystem.

HCA Healthcare Scholarly Commons is a platform to collect, share and publish the variety of academic work created by the Graduate Medical Education community. During 2020, readership of those works eclipsed the 25,000 mark. Included on this platform is the **HCA Healthcare Journal of Medicine**, a peer reviewed scientific periodical focused on innovation, enhanced quality and developing new knowledge in clinical care and medical education for the benefit of all patients. In its first year of publication, the journal disseminated 86 articles in six issues as well as a seventh special issue on the COVID-19 pandemic.

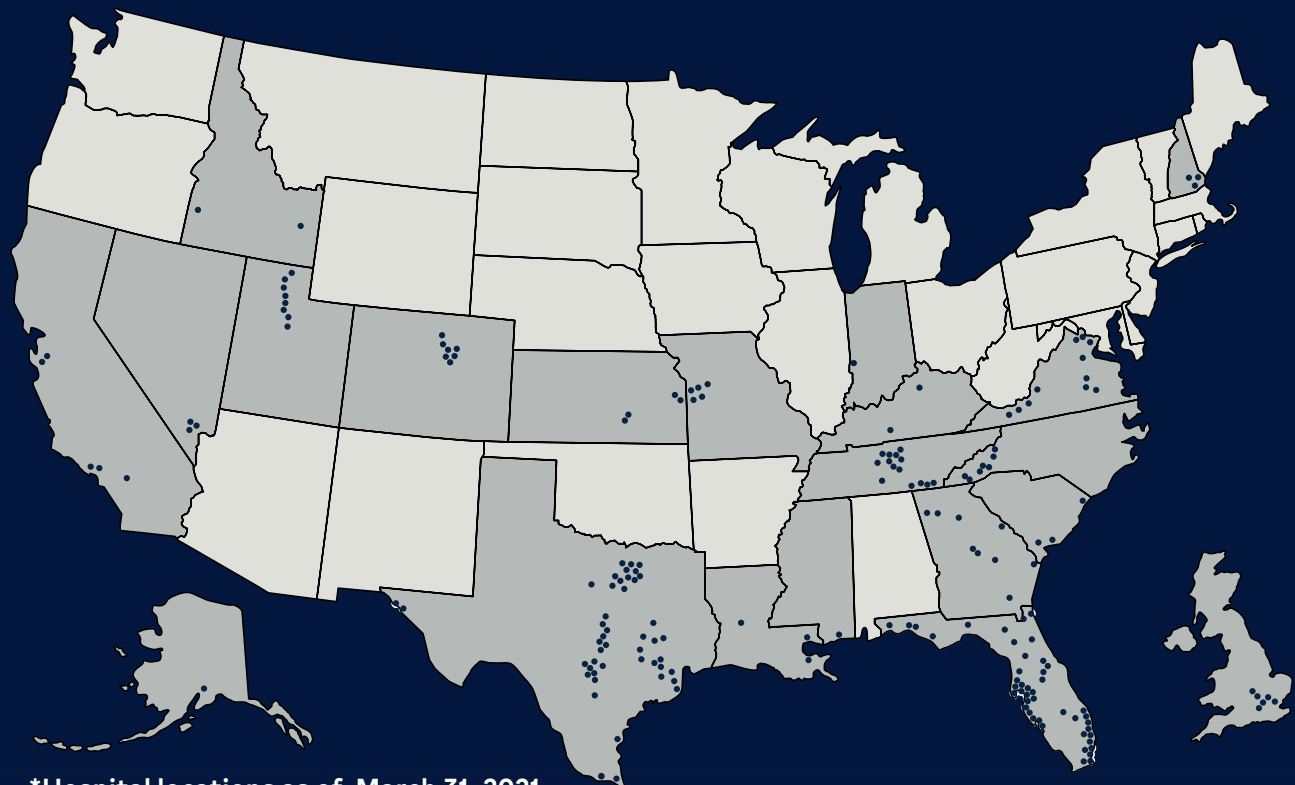


About HCA Healthcare

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*Hospital locations as of March 31, 2021

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Size

275,000
colleagues

93,000+
registered nurses

47,000[^]
active and affiliated physicians



Patient Care

HCA Healthcare's U.S. hospitals provide approximately 5% of all inpatient hospital services in the country.

In 2020:

32+ million
patient encounters

7.4 million
emergency room visits

215,000
babies delivered

View the **HCA Healthcare Community Impact Report** to learn more about our award-winning programs, technology advances and partnerships with community organizations to fulfill our commitment to the care and improvement of human life.



Giving Back

\$3.4+ billion
estimated 2020 cost for the delivery of charity care, uninsured discounts and other uncompensated care

\$45 million
in charitable cash contributions provided across the enterprise in 2020

We are committed to expanding our relationships with our communities by investing **\$10 million** over the next three years in Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) across our footprint.*

*Starting in 2021



Industry Leader

Sarah Cannon, the Cancer Institute of HCA Healthcare, provides **state-of-the-art cancer care** close to home for hundreds of thousands of patients, a number unmatched by any single cancer center.

HCA Healthcare affiliates deliver healthcare services in **more than 150 languages and dialects**.

HCA Healthcare has treated more COVID-19 inpatients than any other health system in the U.S.

[^]Approximate

