A required four-week clinical clerkship in Family Medicine is offered at over ten teaching sites. Each of these sites has unique advantages and different patient demographics.

The goal of this clerkship is for the student to learn family-centered primary health care that is humanistic, comprehensive, cost-effective, continuous, and sensitive to psychosocial, ethical, and financial issues. Because family physicians take care of families, the clerkship will include family dynamics, the family’s influence on health, and the impact of illness on the family.

Our clerkship provides an opportunity for students to learn about the diagnosis and management of patients with common problems. Students will be expected to learn a comprehensive approach to the patient with these problems that entails consideration of etiology, incidence, pathophysiology, clinical presentation, course, prognosis, treatment, and appropriate aspects of patient education, disease prevention, and health promotion. Students should develop sensitivity to social, familial, ethical, legal, cultural, and economic issues encountered in an ambulatory setting.

The clerkship is a predominantly ambulatory-based experience. Students see patients within the ambulatory setting of the assigned site Monday through Thursday. All the students will return to UCLA every Friday for lectures, discussions and workshops. There may be an occasional evening or weekend clinic or on-call session.

The final evaluation of the student is based on clinical performance at the assigned site, a final exam, participation in the Friday didactic sessions, and completion of all clerkship requirements. For more detailed information please visit the ANGEL website at http://www.medsch.ucla.edu/Angel

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Criteria for Letters of Distinction

In order to receive a Letter of Distinction in the Family Medicine Clerkship, the student must meet the following criteria:

1) The clerkship site director must nominate the student for a Letter of Distinction on the medical student evaluation form.
2) The marks on the medical student evaluation forms must be all “outstanding”
3) The final exam grade must be 85% or above.
4) The student must have excellent attendance and participation during the Friday sessions and fulfill all required course assignments.
5) The student must receive an 18 out of 20 on their final case presentation.
FAMILY MEDICINE CLERKSHIP SITES

Directions for these clerkship sites can be found on the Angel website at http://www.medsch.ucla.edu/Angel

HARBOR-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER – FP013
Harbor-UCLA Medical Center is a 568-bed hospital with a Family Medicine Center that serves approximately 22,000 patients per year. The teaching team is composed of seven full-time faculty, five part-time faculty including a psychologist, and twenty-two residents.

The area surrounding Harbor-UCLA is a health professional shortage area. The patient population of the clinic is 50% Spanish speaking and includes a large number of other ethnic minorities, including recent immigrants.

Students will be involved in seeing patients at the continuity clinic with the various faculty and residents. Morning report is held daily and students will be required to attend and present one case in the month. One evening in a month is spent in a homeless clinic at a local church. Harbor-UCLA Family Health Center is 23.1 miles from UCLA (~32 minutes).

Kaiser-Permanente Sunset Medical Center – FP018
Kaiser-LA Family Practice is based in Kaiser-Permanente Sunset Medical Center, a 615-bed facility. Twenty-four residents in Family Medicine work with twelve full-time teaching faculty as well as hundreds of other faculty at this major teaching center.

Students will be involved in continuity clinics with faculty and residents. They also participate in several evening clinics at the Venice Family Clinic, two venues of the Los Angeles Free Clinic, and the Asian Pacific Health Care Venture. Kaiser – Sunset Family Health Center is 10.2 miles from UCLA (~26 minutes).

Kaiser-Permanente Woodland Hills – FP020
Kaiser-Permanente Woodland Hills Hospital is a 212-bed hospital. Family Medicine is the only residency in this hospital. Students work with the 12 full-time faculty and 10 residents as well as other practitioners while on their rotation. Each practitioner at the Family Health Center sees approximately 20-25 patients per day. An urgent care experience with the faculty is optional. Kaiser – Woodland Hills Family Health Center is 16.3 miles from UCLA (~22 minutes).

NORTH RIDGE HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER – FP021
The Family Practice Center on the Northridge Hospital Medical Center campus cares for over 15,000 patients of a largely lower income population, each year. 6 full time faculty, additional part time faculty, 21 residents and over 100 community physicians are involved in teaching.

Students see patients with the faculty and residents, attend tutorials with a nutritionist, participate in Podiatry, Dermatology, Neurology and Sports Medicine clinics, and attend daily educational conferences on a variety of topics.

Northridge Family Practice Center is located less than 20 miles from UCLA (about 25 minutes away).

SANTA MONICA – UCLA MEDICAL CENTER, LES KELLY CLINIC – FP022
The Santa Monica-UCLA Medical Center is a 399-bed hospital that provides primary and secondary cares for the UCLA health system. The outpatient training facility is the Les Kelley Family Health Center, which was started many years ago to care for the uninsured and working poor of Santa Monica. Now at a new, well-equipped site, the clinic serves as one of the community practice sites for the UCLA-Santa Monica Family Practice residency program.

The patients are of varying socioeconomic status, including a number of Spanish-speaking patients. Students are invited to participate in rounds; conferences and patient care within the clinic. You will work with both residents and faculty while seeing patients. Les Kelly Family Medicine Clinic is 4.5 miles from UCLA (~11 minutes).

*This is not the location of the “Block” orientation.
GENERAL HOSPITAL, VENTURA COUNTY – FP023
Ventura County Hospital is a 203-bed hospital, which provides care for 42,000 patients per year and is the only acute care county facility in Ventura County.
Students will participate in an orientation at the beginning of the rotation and attend several educational conferences offered at Ventura County Hospital. Students will be assigned to see patients at one of the four practices described below. Ventura County General Hospital is 57.8 miles from UCLA (~1 hour, 5 minutes). **If needed, housing may be available for medical students.**

- **Buenaventura Medical Clinic, Ashwood Office**
  The Buenaventura Medical Clinic is a medical group made up of primary care physicians, whose patients belong to a variety of health plans that contract with the clinic. Eight family physicians and one physician’s assistant as well as thirty nurses and clerical persons work on the premises.
  The office is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The doctors see 20-25 scheduled patients per day. There are also acute services available. Each student is assigned to four of the group’s physicians, and will work closely with them throughout the month.

- **Las Islas Family Medical Group**
  The Las Islas Clinic is a clinic affiliated with Ventura County Medical Center. All patients are covered by Medi-Cal or are uninsured and pay a small fee. Seven family physicians and three nurse practitioners staff this very busy clinic.
  Students work with a faculty preceptor seeing patients in the continuity clinic. The faculty each sees approximately 25 patients per day. The majority of the patients are Spanish speaking. There is an acute care clinic on site. All the physicians include obstetrics in their practice.

- **Buenaventura Medical Clinic-Oxnard Office and Camarillo Office**
  The Buenaventura Medical Clinic is a multispecialty group of 56 physicians whose patients are insured through a variety of health plans, the majority of which are HMOs. The busy Oxnard office has three Family Physicians. The Camarillo office has a Family Physician.
  The students will be working closely with all Family Physicians, experiencing a wide variety of patients and their problems. The student will spend one day per week at the Camarillo site and three days per week at the Oxnard site. The patient population consists of people that are English speaking and Spanish speaking.
  These Family Physicians do not do Obstetrics but otherwise practice full-spectrum Family Medicine and admit to St. John’s Medical Center, Oxnard.

- **Moorpark Family Health Center**
  The Moorpark Family Center is a Family Practice Office, affiliated with Ventura County Medical Center and staffed by two Family Physicians. The students interact with both preceptors, each of whom practice broad spectrum Family Medicine with one practicing OB. The students will participate in conferences at Ventura County Medical Center, attend nutrition tutorials at UCMC and see patients in the Family Practice Office. The patient population is generally of low economic status and speaks both English and Spanish.

KAISER-PERMANENTE FONTANA - FP024
Kaiser-Permanente Fontana Medical Center is a 425-bed facility. The Family Medicine Department, the largest clinical department at the medical center, sees 13,000 patients per month.
Twelve full-time teaching faculty, along with over fifty other faculty members and twenty-eight residents provide care for the full spectrum of Family Medicine at this community-based medical center.
Medical students rotating through Kaiser-Permanente Fontana will work with residents and faculty seeing patients in continuity clinic and they will participate in daily family medicine noon conferences where lunch is provided. Kaiser Fontana is 61.4 miles from UCLA (~1 hour, 16 minutes). **If needed, housing may be available for medical students.**

GLENDALE ADVENTIST MEDICAL CENTER - FP025
Glendale Adventist Medical Center is a community-based, 450 bed hospital. Five full-time faculty, twenty-four residents, a licensed psychologist, psychology interns, social worker, one pharmacist, a nutritionist, and a patient educator make up the teaching group. In addition, multiple community preceptors participate in teaching residents and students. Approximately 25,000 patients with a variety of health care plans are seen in the outpatient center per year. Approximately fifty-five percent of the patients are HMO members. Students will spend much of their time at the outpatient Family Medicine Center doing patient care. In addition, students will participate in specialty clinics, and daily noon conferences. A day with a private community family physician is also an optional part of the curriculum. Glendale Adventist Medical Center is 14.9 miles from UCLA (~37 minutes).

*This is not the location of the “Block” orientation.*
**WHITTIER PRESBYTERIAN INTER-COMMUNITY HOSPITAL (PIH) – FP026**

Whittier-PIH is a 414-bed, non-profit community hospital. Seven full-time family physician faculty, a behavioral scientist, a part-time pediatrician, a full-time OB/GYN, and eighteen residents make up the teaching team. Patients have a variety of health-care plans.

Seeing patients in the Family Practice Center makes up the bulk of experience for students. They also take part in daily reports on the patients that have been admitted during the night, and those being followed on In-Service. Weekly, the student visits the neighboring Skilled Nursing Facility, and makes home visits to our geriatric population. Also, the students are taken on Home Care rounds with Geriatrics team to see continuity of care issues as they are dealt with in the home setting. Hospice and terminal care are also experiences to which they are exposed. Finally, the students are expected to attend the daily clinical conferences that Family Practice Residents are required to attend. PIH is 26.8 miles from UCLA (~42 minutes).

**LONG BEACH MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER - FP027**

Long Beach Memorial Medical Center is a private, 726-bed hospital that provides full-spectrum care to patients from a variety of cultural and social backgrounds. Seven full-time physician faculty, twenty-four residents, one psychologist, a social worker, and numerous voluntary faculty members make up the teaching group. Approximately 120 patients are seen in the Family Medicine Center each day, and students participate in patient care alongside residents and faculty in their continuity clinics.

The students will also participate in daily didactic and interactive conferences, and will have the option of working at our Westside Community Clinic and participating on our House Calls service. There are also additional community outreach activities that may be available to the student. Long Beach Memorial Medical Center is 27.2 miles from UCLA (~31 minutes).

**KAISER-PERMANENTE CULVER-MARINA – FP030**

Kaiser-Permanente Culver-Marina is a Kaiser outpatient office. It is a satellite office for Kaiser Cadillac, a 300-bed inpatient Kaiser facility. Ten full-time faculty physicians and two nurse practitioners provide care for over 50,000 patient visits per year. There is no prenatal care or obstetrics. Students work with staff physicians to see a diverse patient population. Clinic rotations do not require inpatient attending rounds. PARKING IS PROVIDED. No cafeteria. Kaiser Permanente Culver Marina is approximately 6 miles from UCLA (~30 minutes).

**POMONA VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER – FP031**

Pomona Hospital is the site of a new Family Medicine Residency under the direction of Dr. Jaime Cruz. Pomona is located 35 miles east of downtown Los Angeles. This clerkship site actively integrates concepts of resource utilization, continuous quality improvement and clinical effectiveness into the curriculum. Based upon our community's demographic profile, issues related to women's health and pediatric care are our highest priories. In addition to the ambulatory care component, the student will round with the family practice in-patient service on a daily basis. Pomona Valley Hospital Family Practice Residency is 45.25 miles from UCLA (~49 minutes). **If needed, housing may be available for medical students.**

**MID VALLEY FAMILY HEALTH CENTER- FP032**

The Mid-Valley Family Health Center provides care to the underserved community of the San Fernando Valley, which is a low income, predominantly immigrant, Latino community. This is a brand new facility located 10 miles north of UCLA. It serves as one of the community practice sites for the UCLA-Santa Monica Family Practice residency program. It is well staffed and has beautiful new equipment. Students see patients independently at first and present to family medicine attending physicians. There is a very positive spirit of service that permeates the work environment. The Mid Valley Family Health Center is 12 miles from UCLA (~20 minutes).