FAMILY MEDICAL CENTER

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Site Information: Dr. Darnell and six partners precept the clerkship. There are eight physicians working in the Family Medical Center. Six of these physicians will be the faculty for the Family Medicine Clerkship and are all board-certified family practitioners. Students will work around a variety of physicians.

Clinic/Hospital: The Family Medical Clinic is located in the hospital that provides a unique opportunity to experience all aspects of family practice. The hospital has 27 acute care beds with ICU/CCU, Obstetrical ward, Surgery, and 24-hr ER. The hospital has fully equipped

Lab and Radiology departments, including CT, US, and MRI. The hospital lab and X-Ray are also used by the clinic.

Housing: Students will stay in a two-bedroom house, fully furnished, and located three blocks from the hospital and clinic. The house has a fully equipped kitchen. All linens, washer, dryer, are provided as well as cable TV, internet access, and bicycle. Bring personal items. A grocery store is about two blocks from the student housing. Families are welcome, no pets. Address: 802 Fort Street, Buffalo, Wyoming 82834; Phone: 307.684.2331

Transportation: Bringing a car is strongly recommended, but with adequate advance notice and discussion with the Site Coordinator, you can be picked up from either airport in Billings, Montana (2.5 hours away) or in Sheridan, Wyoming (about 30 minutes away).

Highway access to Buffalo is via I-90 and is approximately 970 miles from Seattle.

# PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS:

1. Email Dr. Darnell at fly4fish@yahoo.com or call 307.684.2228 (work) at any time prior to your rotation to check on your living accommodations and to arrange for any special transportation or personal needs. We will pick you up at the Sheridan airport if needed. Call Dr. Darnell to arrange to pick up the house key. You will usually pick it up at the hospital emergency department. Rotation begins Monday morning at 7:30 am in the Medical Education room. If the clerkship is scheduled to begin on an official University of Washington holiday, you will not be expected to work that day.
2. Be sure to email the completed Student Summary Sheet to Dr. Darnell at fly4fish@yahoo.com and Lorri Lutterman at lorril@jchealthcare.com at least two weeks before the starting date of your rotation.
3. Read the attached technical information for details on how the student’s apartment is set up and equipped, for other living considerations, travel, and suggestions on what you might want to bring with you.

Dress: Ask the site coordinator what kind of attire is generally worn while seeing patients. The basic objective of the clerkship is to give you first-person experience in being a family physician in the community. The best way to get this experience is to emulate the physicians with whom you work.

In each of these practices, the patients have been told that students will be involved in their care. You should make a point of wearing your UW nametag and introduce yourself as a student physician working with the practice as part of your medical studies at the University of Washington.

# BUFFALO SITE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Meals:Meals can be obtained at the hospital cafeteria while at work. Lunch is free.

Recreation: Student membership at the YMCA. Bring clothes and equipment to match the season; e.g, fishing and backpacking in the summer, and cross-country skiing in the winter. An old bicycle is available at the house.