University Of Washington Internal Medicine Residency Program

Infectious Diseases-Directed Residency Training

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Subspecialty web site address
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Deadline for fellowship applications
July 1 is first day applications can be submitted through ERAS, which is 12 months prior to fellowship start date in July of the next academic year.

General suggestions for residency training
The University of Washington Internal Medicine Residency Program provides ideal preparation for subspecialty training in Infectious Diseases. All internists must gain experience in the management of infectious diseases. A balanced exposure to both inpatient and outpatient medicine is recommended, with attendance in the more specialized clinics listed below as time allows. Exposure to surgery, particularly transplant surgery, and oncology is highly recommended. A firm grasp of cardiology (evaluation of endocarditis), nephrology (renal toxicity of antimicrobials, infectious complications of renal failure), pulmonary (pneumonia and evaluation of chest disease), dermatology (infectious manifestations), and gastroenterology (GI infections) is very helpful. Residents should make an effort to attend some of the many infectious diseases-related teaching and research conferences held in the Seattle area (see conferences, below) and are encouraged to develop a dialog with Infectious Diseases faculty members. A research elective will position a resident better for some or the more competitive infectious diseases fellowships. Those interested in Global Health issues are well advised to do a research project abroad, though exposure to clinical medicine abroad is also helpful.

Suggested curriculum during residency
Infectious Diseases inpatient consultation service (UWMC, HMC, or VAPSHCS)
General infectious diseases and/or HIV clinic (UWMC or HMC)
Outpatient clinic rotations through specialty clinics (UWMC or HMC)

Local subspecialty-specific conferences open to residents
Weekly clinical case conference Weds 4:30-5:15 (HMC R&T room 109)
Weekly didactic lecture Weds 5:15 – 6:00 (HMC R&T room 109)
Monthly HIV journal club (contact Robert Harrington, rdh@u.washington.edu)
Numerous weekly and special research conferences such as HIV/AIDS, STDs, Bacterial Pathogenesis, and Malaria Interest Group

Local subspecialty-specific social/educational events open to residents
Annual Division retreat (March or April, 1-2 days)
Annual AIDS/STDs Symposium (contact UW Center for AIDS/STD, CFAS)

Dates of important national meetings
Annual meeting of the Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA)* – October or November
Interscience Conference on Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy (ICAAC)* – September
American Society for Microbiology Annual Meeting –May.
*Travel grants available for trainees