

FAMILY & PREVENTIVE MED (FPMD)

FPMD G700 - Family Medicine Clerkship (6 Credits)

The Family Medicine Clerkship allows students to gain exposure to the core components of the broad field of Family Medicine. Students will work in a combination of outpatient clinics including both community and academic settings. While working in these settings, students will be expected to expand their medical knowledge in topics of acute and chronic disease management, as well as preventive and wellness care. Students will develop an understanding of the critical role that family medicine serves as an essential component of the primary care delivery infrastructure in the United States healthcare system. Core themes of the practice of family medicine that will be emphasized throughout the rotation include: the importance of continuity of care, lifestyle and preventive medicine, understanding how psychosocial factors affect care delivery, identifying and addressing healthcare disparities, and care of patients within the greater context of their community and the population as a whole. While working with assigned faculty and/or residents, students will have the opportunity to complete initial evaluations on new patients in addition to caring for those with established problems. Students will also have the opportunity to receive guidance in improving interviewing skills as they participate in patient care. The conclusion of the clerkship will include assessments via the Family Medicine NBME subject examination and an Objective Structured Clinical Evaluation (OSCE).

FPMD G701 - Clerkship Completion (0 Credits)

This course allows completion of required M-III Clerkships where normal enrollment for those courses crosses academic years. It is valued at zero credits to reflect enrollment, but all graded material is taken into account in the G700 clerkship grade. Successful completion of required hours results in a passing grade.

FPMD G710 - Primary Care Sports Medicine Elective (2 Credits)

This course is designed to give medical students exposure to full complement of Sports Medicine Care. You will spend time with certified athletic trainers in/at their high school training room/events, physical therapists treating acute and overuse athletic injuries, and physicians and surgeons practicing Sports Medicine.

FPMD G715 - Rural Family Medicine Elective (2 Credits)

This elective is designed to offer the student an intensive rural family/suburban medicine experience. The student will have a 'hands on' experience working with patients in the office of a small town family physician. During this time, the student will be precepted by the community physician and learn first-hand of the unique issues these physicians face in the delivery of health care in a rural setting. The student will have the opportunity to learn the benefits of a team approach to health care through interaction with nurse practitioners and other health care professionals. The student will also acquire first-hand information about the lifestyle of primary care physicians in the rural/suburban setting and the impact they have on their patients and their community. Finally, the student will be introduced to practice management issues pertaining to private practice in a rural/suburban setting. The elective offers rotations in several small communities within reasonable driving distances from Greenville. Other sites are available which will allow the student to stay in the community to better experience the lifestyle of a small town physician. It is important that arrangements be made for selecting the practice site as early as possible, preferably with at least 6 weeks lead time.

FPMD G720 - Lifestyle Medicine (2 Credits)

This course is designed to give medical students exposure to Lifestyle Medicine, a hallmark of the USC-Greenville School of Medicine. This is an emerging field of medicine that uses lifestyle interventions in the prevention, treatment and management of chronic disease. The student will learn from different resources within the Greenville community and understand how an interdisciplinary team (e.g. family physician, primary care sports medicine physician, nutritionist, exercise specialist, physical therapist, etc.) can affect healthy changes in patients through physical activity prescriptions, healthy eating, motivational interviewing, and stress reduction. The student will apply these principles to patient care at the Center for Family Medicine.

FPMD G725 - Post-Acute Care Elective (2 Credits)

The effective transfer of a hospitalized patient to the outpatient, rehabilitation or community environment requires effective communication and an understanding of impactful means of meeting patient needs in the outpatient or home care environment. This elective is designed to provide students with an opportunity to interface with the interprofessional team who will facilitate the patient and their family successful navigation of this process with the goal of reducing the chance of the patient being readmitted, ensuring a safe transition of care, and a positive patient experience.

FPMD G730 - General Family Medicine Elective (2 Credits)

This course offers a brief and intensive experience in family medicine, both for students considering a career in Primary Care and those who are entering other specialties but who wish to learn more about the role of the Family Physician. Students will have the opportunity to pick from three separate Family Medicine Teaching clinics. The clinic exposure includes the care of patients of all ages in a variety of clinical settings and can be tailored to the learners needs. CFM- Oconee- A rural based Family Medicine teaching clinic located on the campus of Prisma Health-Upstate's Oconee Memorial Hospital in Seneca. CFM- Greer- A community based Family Medicine teaching clinic located on the campus of Prisma Health- Upstate's Greer Memorial Hospital in Greer. CFM- Greenville- An academic/tertiary care Family Medicine teaching clinic located across the street from Prisma Health- Upstate's Greenville Memorial Hospital.

FPMD G800 - Family Medicine Acting Internship (4 Credits)

This course offers a brief, intensive exposure to a typical family practice, both for students considering a career in this area and those who are entering other specialties but who want to learn more about the role of the family physician. Students will be placed in an inpatient setting for two weeks and an outpatient setting for two weeks. The practice exposure shall include the care of patients of all ages including pediatrics and inpatient hospital experience.

FPMD G810 - Lifestyle Medicine (4 Credits)

This course is designed to give medical students exposure to Lifestyle Medicine, a hallmark of the USC-Greenville School of Medicine. This is an emerging field of medicine that uses lifestyle interventions in the prevention, treatment and management of disease. The student will learn from different resources within the Greenville community and understand how an interdisciplinary team (e.g. family physician, primary care sports medicine physician, nutritionist, exercise physiologist, physical therapist, etc.) can affect healthy changes in patients through physical activity prescriptions, healthy eating, motivational interviewing, and stress reduction. The student will apply these principles to patient care at the Center for Family Medicine. The majority of the clerkship will take place during the rotation block. However, there will be a longitudinal component of a small patient panel, lifestyle medicine project, and community outreach.

FPMD G815 - Rural Family Medicine Elective (2-4 Credits)

This elective is designed to offer the student an intensive rural family/suburban medicine experience. The student will have a 'hands on' experience working with patients in the office of a small town family physician. During this time, the student will be precepted by the community physician and learn first-hand of the unique problems these physicians face in the delivery of health care in a rural setting. The student will have the opportunity to learn the benefits of a team approach to health care through interaction with nurse practitioners and other health care professionals. The student will also acquire first-hand information about the lifestyle of primary care physicians in the rural/suburban setting and the impact they have on their patients and their community. Finally, the student will be introduced to practice management issues pertaining to private practice in a rural/suburban setting. The elective offers rotations in several small communities within reasonable driving distances from Greenville. Other sites are available which will allow the student to stay in the community to better experience the lifestyle of a small town physician. It is important that arrangements be made for selecting the practice site as early as possible, preferably with at least 6 weeks lead time.

FPMD G820 - Primary Care Sports Medicine Elective (2-4 Credits)

This course is designed to give medical students exposure to full complement of Primary Care Sports Medicine Care, which include musculoskeletal injuries, as well as medical problems such as concussion management and the prevention of sudden cardiac death in young athletes. You will spend time with Certified Athletic Trainers in/ at their High School Training Room/Events, Physical Therapist treating acute and overuse athletic injuries, Physicians and Surgeons practicing Sports Medicine.

FPMD G825 - General Family Medicine Elective (2-4 Credits)

This course offers a brief, intensive exposure to a typical family practice, both for students considering a career in this area and those who are entering other specialties but who want to learn more about the role of the family physician. Students may be placed in an inpatient setting, community setting, or CFM outpatient setting. The practice exposure shall include the care of patients of all ages including pediatrics and inpatient hospital experience.

FPMD G830 - Post-Acute Care Elective (2 Credits)

The effective transfer of a hospitalized patient to the outpatient, rehabilitation or community environment requires effective communication and an understanding of impactful means of meeting patient needs in the outpatient or home care environment. This elective is designed to provide students with an opportunity to interface with the interprofessional team who will facilitate the patient and their family successful navigation of this process with the goal of reducing the chance of the patient being readmitted, ensuring a safe transition of care, and a positive patient experience.

FPMD G899 - Family Medicine Away Rotation (4 Credits)

The student will complete an intensive study of Family Practice at another hospital or practice. This course must be approved through the VSAS application service or office of the M3/M4 Director.