

PEDIATRICS



## FROM THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Dear Colleague,

Thank you for your interest in the Pediatric Residency Program at Western Michigan University School of Medicine (WMed).

We realize that although our residents share a common goal of becoming highly-skilled pediatricians, they each have unique interests and career goals.

Our faculty understand and appreciate these differences and will work with you to develop a curriculum that will support your ambitions while fulfilling all requirements of the American Board of Pediatrics and the ACGME Pediatric RRC.

A notable advantage to you is our program's moderate size. Our residents benefit from a close personal relationship with our faculty and a strong sense of camaraderie among the other residents.

In addition to the in-depth patient care experience and didactic components of your education, we believe you need to focus on the human side of medicine and serve as an advocate for each child's complete physical and emotional well-being. The training during the Adolescent Medicine and Behavioral/Developmental rotations will help to complete your pediatric training in these areas. After graduation, our residents find employment either in a pediatric private practice setting, an academic fellowship, or subspecialty training program.

We look forward to meeting you and having the opportunity to show you our residency program. Our faculty and residents are enthusiastic about our program and the residents are eager to share with you the advantages of fulfilling your residency experience at WMed.

Sincerely,  
**Donald E. Greydanus, M.D., FAAP, FSAM, FIAP, DrHC (Athens)**

*Chair, Department of Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine  
Program Director of Pediatrics  
Western Michigan University  
School of Medicine*

## EXCELLENCE IN PEDIATRICS



### PEDIATRIC FACULTY

The Pediatric Residency Program at Western Michigan University School of Medicine (WMed) is dedicated to fulfilling your needs and academic expectations during your residency experience. Our faculty members are dedicated to teaching and providing up-to-date health care to children as well as ensuring that every child has the opportunity to grow and develop in a safe, nurturing environment.

In addition to well-child exams and caring for sick children, the residents at WMed are taught by our faculty how to detect physical and sexual abuse

of children. Colette Gushurst, M.D., general pediatrician and Director of undergraduate pediatric medical education at WMed, is a recognized authority on child abuse. She shares her knowledge with the residents and teaches them how to examine and report cases of abuse in a way that will allow the child to be removed from a dangerous environment and receive the care they deserve.

If you are interested in research during your residency, Arthur Feinberg, M.D., director of pediatric research, along with the pediatric faculty and pediatric research nurse, will be available to assist you with your research endeavors. The research by the faculty and residents is varied. Donald E. Greydanus, M.D., pediatric program director, is a well-known authority on adolescent medicine and has edited and coedited 33 books in adolescent medicine and pediatrics. The Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Department, under the direction of Tina Elliott, M.D. is part of the Children's Oncology Group (COG)—the largest pediatric oncology cooperative group in the country and in the world. WMed is a full affiliate of the COG. Three members of the pediatric hematology/oncology clinic are members and have been actively involved in research projects through the COG.



## PEDIATRIC THREE-YEAR CURRICULUM

First Year	Second Year	Third Year
4 months outpatient pediatrics	1 month outpatient supervisor	2 months inpatient supervisor
4 months inpatient pediatrics	1 month inpatient supervisor	1 month outpatient supervisor
1 month emergency medicine	1 month NICU	1 month NICU
1 month nursery	1 month PICU	1 month PICU
1 month developmental/behavioral pediatrics	1 month emergency medicine	3 months required subspecialty
1 month NICU	1 month adolescent medicine	1 month acute illness
	1 month acute illness	1 month child and adolescent psychiatry
	4 months subspecialty	2 months electives
	1 month elective	

## THE APPLICATION PROCESS

If you think our program is what you are looking for in a residency program, please submit your application through the Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS). If you have questions or would like additional information, please call **(855) 275-9633**.

Or, you can e-mail your questions to [pediatrics@med.wmich.edu](mailto:pediatrics@med.wmich.edu) and your questions will be answered promptly. You can also visit our web site at [med.wmich.edu](http://med.wmich.edu).

## COMMENTS FROM THE RESIDENTS

**Flexibility** ~ “I think every resident here would tell you that they have been able to tailor their schedules to allow them to focus on areas in which they are particularly interested.”

**Camaraderie** ~ “Great camaraderie among residents. Everyone is willing to lend a helping hand. Faculty members are excited about teaching. Residency program is a nice balance between university and community setting.”

**Atmosphere** ~ “Being at WMed is like being part of one big family. There is a lot of good teaching happening in an informal family atmosphere.”

**Focus** ~ “Extremely friendly and positive working environment. I work with nice people in a program that clearly focuses on teaching.”



**Opportunity** ~ “For a community-based program, we have an incredible number of opportunities to see obscure diseases and unique medical conditions. The reason for this is that we are a referral hospital for the southwest part of the state and have Air Care/Level One trauma service.”

**Faculty** ~ “Very kind and extremely approachable faculty, which is a perfect combination for learning effectively without the added stress of trying to shine all the time.”



## WHY OUR RESIDENTS COME HERE:

- Flexible call schedule
- Strong sense of camaraderie among the residents
- Close, personal relationship with faculty
- Curriculum adaptable to support personal ambition while fulfilling ACGME Pediatric RRC requirements
- Easily accessible full-time faculty committed to teaching
- Increased responsibility as you strengthen your clinical, diagnostic, and patient management skills
- Inpatient experience at a designated Children’s Hospital
- 20 subspecialty rotations available

## FELLOWSHIPS ENTERED:

### Pediatric Allergy

Children’s Hospital of Michigan  
University of Michigan  
University of Nebraska

### Pediatric Cardiology

Mayo School of Graduate Medical Education

### Pediatric Critical Care

Arkansas Children’s Hospital  
Detroit Children’s Hospital  
University of California – San Diego  
University of Miami

### Pediatric Emergency Medicine

Children’s Hospital of Michigan

### Pediatric Endocrinology

Baylor College of Medicine  
Massachusetts General Hospital  
Washington University

### Pediatric Gastroenterology

Children’s Mercy Hospital, Kansas City, MO  
Cleveland Clinic

### Pediatric Hematology/Oncology

M.D. Anderson Cancer Center  
Washington University

### Pediatric Nephrology

Miami Jackson Memorial

### Pediatric Neurology

Bowman-Gray University  
Cincinnati Children’s Hospital  
Medical College of Wisconsin  
Pittsburgh Children’s Hospital  
University of Seattle

### Pediatric Pulmonary/Critical Care

Indiana University

### Nuclear Medicine

Harvard Medical Center

### Neonatology

Medical College of Georgia  
Michigan State University  
University of Western Ontario

### Academic Fellowship: Primary Care Pediatrics Research

Medical College of Wisconsin





**BRYAN CORPUS, M.D.**  
Hospitalist

*The training I received at WMed really prepared me for two of the most immediate challenges that new resident graduates face: the American Board of Pediatrics Board exam and practicing medicine in the real world. The wealth of information and years of clinical experience available to me from the core and volunteer faculty augmented my general pediatric medical knowledge and clinical skills and fostered in me a desire to be the best physician I could be. All of my clinical educators were devoted physicians, life-long learners, model professionals, and compassionate healers who set a standard of excellence that I strive for daily. The familial atmosphere and close relationships I developed with my attendings and fellow residents helped get me through a sometimes challenging and always rewarding three years—so much so that I just had to stay in Kalamazoo for more and continue to be a part of it all!*



**ORHAN ATAY, M.D.**  
Pediatric Gastroenterologist

*Family has always been a priority for me, even throughout medical school. I always thought that residency would adversely affect the time I could spend with my family. This was not the case at WMed. I realized this when visiting during a medical school rotation. The residents seemed legitimately happy, and yet, at the same time, were extraordinarily knowledgeable, competent and confident physicians. Right away I realized that WMed was truly a hidden treasure. Following residency, I was accepted into the Pediatric GI fellowship program at Cleveland Clinic. The residency program gave me the confidence and independence I needed to grow into the physician that I am today. I wholeheartedly recommend to any physician searching for a residency program to consider WMed pediatrics.*

**PEDIATRIC SUBSPECIALTIES**

- Adolescent Medicine
- Behavioral-Developmental Pediatrics
- Child and Adolescent Psychiatry
- Dermatology
- Hospitalist Track
- Neonatal Intensive Care
- Pediatric Allergy
- Pediatric Cardiology
- Pediatric Endocrinology
- Pediatric ENT
- Pediatric Hematology/Oncology

- Pediatric Intensive Care
- Pediatric Neuro-Developmental
- Pediatric Neurology
- Pediatric Orthopedics
- Pediatric Pulmonology
- Pediatric Radiology
- Pediatric Rheumatology
- Pediatric Surgery
- Public Health
- Sports Medicine
- Tropical Health



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